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Maulana Azad Demands Searching Inquiry

Shocked At Tragic News From Calcutta

CALL TO STUDENTS TO MAINTAIN DISCIPLINE

Stop Demonstrations Pending Directives From Congress

MIRZAPORE, November 23, (A. P. I.): The Congress President, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad has issued the following statement on the happenings in Calcutta:

"The report I have received of happenings in Calcutta have caused profound grief and shock. Firing was resorted to on five occasions, and led to the death of fourteen and injury to over 150 persons. It is essential that there should be searching inquiry into the case of the tragic incident. I would, in the meantime, appeal to the public to restore and maintain order and discipline.

Reports indicate that in certain cases crowds refused to listen to the directions of responsible Congress leaders. It is also reported that some military lorries were destroyed. Such actions on our part must be condemned. I would urge upon the public in general and students community in particular to have discipline and non-violence as the basis of the Congress creed. Slogans may be useful as demonstrations, but freedom can be achieved only by untold suffering under proper leadership. My earnest appeal is that there should be no further processions or demonstrations till the necessary directives from responsible Congress quarters.

I am watching the situation anxiously and with concern."

BENGAL CONGRESSMEN'S APPEAL TO STUDENTS

"We deeply regret that the situation in Calcutta has not yet improved in spite of our repeated appeals and that of other leaders, the burning of lorries and throwing of brickbats have occurred", says the President of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee, Mr. Surendra Mohan Ghosh, and four other Congress leaders, in a statement issued this morning.

Appealing to the public in the name of the Congress to remain completely peaceful, they continue:

"The students' cause has triumphed and we know they are not responsible for these acts of violence. There are, it seems, other elements who are not amenable to discipline. We know that there has been sufficient provocation from the other side.

"The incidents of the last two days are still agitating the minds of the public. Yet we once more earnestly appeal to the public in the name of the Congress to remain completely peaceful, not to gather on the streets in any case and not to organise meetings and demonstrations, so long as the present tension continues.

"They are also requested not to organise processions unless they are strictly disciplined and sanctioned by responsible leaders."

"PEACE BRIGADES" ON THE MOVE

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—Congress workers organising themselves into "Peace Brigades" have been go-

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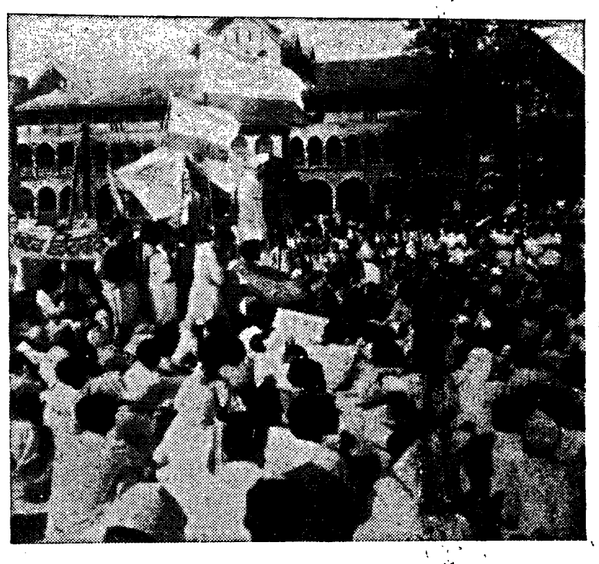

Students meeting at Chaupatty on Friday to protest against the firing in Calcutta Mr. Umashankar Dixit is seen addressing the gathering.

CLOTH MERCHANT SHOT DEAD

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23, (U.P.I.): Mr. Chandrashekar Pai, aged 46, of the "Basanlaya" a reputed cloth shop of the Rashbehari Avenue was shot dead last afternoon. It is reported that bullet was fired from a passing Military lorry.

CONGRESS EXECUTIVE

President Announces Change In Dates Of Next Meeting

BINDHACHAL, Nov. 23 (UPI.)

The change in the dates of the meetings of the Congress Working Committee and the Central Parliamentary Board, it has been announced by the Congress President, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad.

The Working Committee will meet on December 6 and the Central Parliamentary Board on December 4 in Calcutta.

Maulana Azad in a brief statement announcing this says: "As the Punjab Government has fixed December 12 as the last date for nomination of the Assembly candidates it is necessary that a meeting of the Central Parliamentary Board will be held before December 9. I have therefore changed the dates. The meeting of the Board will be held on December 4 and of the Congress Working Committee on December 6 in Calcutta."

New Members Of Working Committee

ALLAHABAD, Nov. 22 (A.P.I.): Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Congress President, has nominated Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, Acharya Narendra Dev, and Hari Krishna Mehtab to the Working Committee of the Congress against a few vacancies existing in the Committee.

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LATHI CHARGES ON BOMBAY STUDENTS

26 Arrested During Demonstration To Condemn Calcutta Police Excesses

But for two instances when the police made lathi charges, the students' demonstrations in Bombay, on Friday went off peacefully.

COMPLETE HARTAL

Bombay students observed a complete 'hartal' to protest against police firing on Calcutta students. All the schools and colleges in the city presented a vacant appearance as the students refrained from attending.

TWENTY-SIX ARRESTED

Several processions were taken out by student organisations during the day. Nineteen demonstrators were arrested when a procession clashed with the police in front of the St. Xavier's College and seven were arrested when another procession was dispersed by the police at Maharbouri.

All the processionists converged at Chowpatty in the afternoon where over 5,000 students congregated and held a meeting under the auspices of the Bombay Students Congress. Mr. Uma Shankar Dixit presided.

Mr. Shanti Shah, Mr. Prabhakar Kunte, Mr. Dandavate, Mr. Pralhad Mehta and Mr. K. K. Swarlia addressed the gathering.

RESOLUTIONS

The meeting then passed a resolution condemning police excesses on students in Calcutta, demanding the immediate release of arrested students and sympathising with those who were injured.

Another resolution was also passed condemning the action of the Bombay police.

From early morning students were seen in the streets shouting slogans and proceeding towards their respective schools and colleges. Towards noon they formed into processions which paraded the sreets, starting from the St. Xavier's, Wilson and Elphinstone Colleges. A procession also started from the Colleges in the north of the city and one consisting mainly of school children from the Bharda High School.

Enquiries late at night revealed that all the arrested students were released in the evening.

POLICE SEIZE FLAGS

BOMBAY, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.): Students of different organisations—the Hindu Federation, Muslim Students' Organisation and the National'st Students' Congress—joined together to record their protest against the action of the Calcutta police.

Police seized the flags of these three organisations near Bori Bunder. Police used force at two other places

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Secret Service Training For I.N.A. Men

Story Of Japs' Foiled Attempt To Land 12 Indians In India By Submarine

NEW DELHI, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—The I.N.A. Court Martial today heard one of the 12 Indians who were sent by the Japanese in a submarine to land in India in 1944. He is Subedar Asal Noor Khan, tall broad-shouldered officer with 32 years experience in the Indian Army. He told the court that in January 1944 the Japanese gave him and other men final training about secret service, propaganda, sabotage, and wireless. On February 27 he and eleven others were sent in a submarine to India. After 17 days in the submarine, the Japanese tried to land them but failed. Then after a week towards the end of March, they landed in India. About four miles from the coast there was an official of the Kalat State to whom they reported and witness reported himself to the British authorities.

Subedar Asal Noor Khan, was one of the six prosecution witnesses examined by the court during the day, the prosecution have so far put forward nine witnesses and they are likely to examine some 20 more.

During the examination of sepoy Kaka Singh, 6/1 Punjab Regiment the interpreter caused amusement when he mistook the word Taiping for typing. Witness was saying that after Singapore fell, he was taken prisoner and taken to various camps and eventually to the camp in Taiping. The interpreter translated it as saying that witness was engaged in typing in the camp.

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CALCUTTA CONVEYANCE STRIKE ENDS

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—Calcutta's tram, bus, taxi and rickshaw service will ply from tomorrow, according to a joint statement issued by the Secretaries of the Calcutta Tram Workers' Union, Bus Workers' Union, Motor Transport Workers' Union and Rickshaw Mazdoor Union today.

How To Vote On Monday

The election of two members of the Central Legislative Assembly from Bombay City (Non-Mohammedan Constituency) takes place on Monday, November 26. Each voter has two votes to cast and the Congress has a claim on both. There are two Congress Candidates and you are requested scrupulously to divide them evenly between the two Congress Candidates as follows:

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K. H. Dhamdhere	
M. R. MASANI	X

TROOPS ASKED TO STAND BY

FIVE KILLED ON FRIDAY

Police Open Fire In Five Places In Calcutta: 7 Die In Hospital

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—The casualties in today's incidents in Calcutta were five killed and bout forty injured, according to figures available late tonight. In addition seven persons injured on Thursday died in hospital.

Firing was opened at five places. In addition to the centres in South Calcutta and Kidderpore, there were also incidents at two places in Central Calcutta. One was near Girish Park and the other at the crossing of Bow Bazar and Chitta Ranjan Avenue.

All incidents occurred in the earlier part of the day. The city was quieter in the evening, when even women were out to see the ravages of two days of disturbances in some parts of South Calcutta.

Troops have tonight moved into positions in North Central and South Calcutta, from which they would be able to operate immediately in support of the civil power if it becomes necessary to invoke their aid, as announced by His Excellency the Governor in his broadcast.

Fire Opened At Eight Places

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (U.P.I.)—Till four this afternoon shooting is reported to have taken place in abcut eight places in Calcutta, following attacks on military lorries or jeeps or other incidents. The sites of reported shooting include the crossing of Monoharpukur Road, Satish Mukherjee Road, crossing of Gariahat Road and Rashbehari Avenue, crossing of Elgin Road and Chowringhee and in Ashutosh Mukherjee Road near Jogubabus Bazar in South Calcutta, near Burrabazar Post Office in North Calcutta, in Central Avenue and in Bowbazar Street in Central Calcutta.

Military cars are running in the city today with loaded revolvers and tommy guns. It is believed that firing was opened by military mostly.

27 INJURED IN FIRINGS ON FRIDAY

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (API.)

After a morning panick and marked by a number of incidents most of them minor, the situation in Calcutta appears easier in the evening today.

There was firing at three places in the city during the day resulting in 27 persons being injured.

Four or five military vehicles were held up and set on fire. Since the morning however, military lorries have been convoyed by armed guards with rifles at the ready and no incidents have been reported in the afternoon.

LEADERS MEET GOVERNOR

His Excellency the Governor, Mr. R. G. Casey, granted interviews today to Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose, Mr. D. M. Mookerjee Mayor of Calcutta, Mr. C. P. Lawson President of the European Association, Mr. M. A. H. Ispanani, member of the All-India Muslim League Working Committee and other leaders. It is learnt that the Calcutta situation was discussed at these interviews.

TRAINS HELD UP

Trains on the East Indian Railway were held up by demonstrators between Lillocah and Belur, and certain other suburban stations. The demonstrators who were in some cases one thousand to two thousand strong, squatted on the lines and both up and down trains were affected. The East Indian Railway diverted incoming trains to Sealdah station, the terminus of the Bengal Assam Railway. The District Magistrate Howrah, proceeded to the scene of incidents and by 5 p m had succeeded in persuading the crowds to disperse.

Police opened fire at Kidderpore—Calcutta's dock area—this afternoon resulting in three persons being injured. They were removed to Capbell hospital where the condition of one is reported to be serious.

EARLIER: Twentyfour persons were injured, ten of them seriously when police opened fire at two places in South Calcutta today. Eighteen of the injured were admitted to hospital and the rest discharged after treatment.

AMERICAN TROOPS WARNED

American military authorites have warned United States troops in Calcutta to stay away from demonstrations taking place in the area. Confirmation is not however available for the report that Calcutta has been placed out of bounds for American troops.

Most United States vehicles on the roads were today found flying the Star and Stripes from their bonnets. Chinese cars were sporting the Chinese Flag and not a few cars had the Congress Flag flying.

IN THE CORPORATION

A reference was made at the meeting of the Calcutta Corporation to the events of the last two days in the city. The view was expressed by a concillor that the firing by the police was uncalled for as the gathering was peaceful. Expressing his agreement with this view the Mayor Mr. Debendra Nath Mookerjee, said that he did not consider there as no other course left to them than to lead a procession of all citizens. If such a procession was organised, he as their Mayor was prepared to lead it to Government House and demand the release of the I.N.A. patriots.

Other members asked for a public enquiry by a non-official body into the incidents.

"No Longer Possible To Postpone Bringing Them In Support Of Police" Says Bengal Governor

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23, (A.P.I.): Broadcasting tonight on the Calcutta situation, H. E. the Governor of Bengal, Mr. R. G. Casey, stated that troops were tonight taking up positions from which they would be able to operate immediately in support of the civil power if it became necessary to invoke their aid.

"I have postponed calling upon the army as long as I could. It is no longer possible to postpone bringing them in support of the police," said His Excellency.

The Governor added that to-day he had seen all the leaders of all the principal political parties. They all, to a man, had given him the assurance that their parties greatly deplored the disturbances and that they dissociated their parties and all members of them from support of or responsibility for the disturbance.

'GOONDAS' SHALL NOT RULE

His Excellency stated that there was no doubt that hooligan elements in Calcutta had taken advantage of a disturbed situation and were adding fuel to the flames. He affirmed: "We do not intend that Calcutta shall be at the mercy of the 'Goonda' elements of the population and we are taking action to this end."

FOOD LORRIES BURNT

His Excellency also said that Government were determined that Calcutta shall continue to be fed and were taking the necessary steps to protect food lorries. A number of trucks carrying rice and other foodstuffs have been stopped and turned back and some had been burnt. "Those who try to interfere with these lorries will have to take the consequences of their actions", said the Governor. "They have been warned."

GOVT. DENIES AIR ACTION

Midnapore Report Of Bombing On "Non-Violent Rebels" Contradicted

NEW DELHI, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—The Government of India have seen a report published in the papers of the 20th November regarding alleged atrocities in the Tamluk Sub-Division of Midnapore District in Bengal during the disturbances of August, 1942, says a 'communique.' One of the allegations, viz., that Government planes bombed "non-violent rebels" when they occupied the Sutahatan Police Station, concerns the War Department. This allegation of bombing is absolutely false, as no air action whatever was taken in Tamluk Sub-Division.

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Black-out Of Indian News In British Press

Joshi Urges Indian Leaders To Visit England And Educate Public Opinion

("CHRONICLE" EXCLUSIVE)

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Mr. N. M. Joshi, Workers' delegate to the International Labour Conference, recently held at Paris has just returned to Bombay. On his way to Paris he spent over a week in London and met the British Prime Minister, the Secretary of State for India, the Foreign Secretary and Sir Stafford Cripps with whom he discussed the Indian situation.

Referring to British reactions, Mr. Joshi said: "I did not expect the members of the Labour Government whom I saw, to tell me what they will do about India. Perhaps they will take their decisions as they find the situation after the elections are over. But the impression left on my mind is that there is no reason yet for us to despair and feel that the Labour Government will fail to fulfil its promise of freedom to India."

Mr. Joshi emphasised the need for educating public opinion in England on the India issue.

Mr. Joshi said that the interest taken in Indian matters in England among all sections of the public was greater now than at any other time. But very little news about India appeared in the newspapers in England except some sensational events such as communal rioting.

"The case of India", said Mr. Joshi, "is represented in England at present by the India League of which Mr. Krishna Menon is the Secretary, Miss Agatha Harrison of the India Conciliation Committee, by an organisation called the Swaraj House. The India League activities are of a much larger scale than of others and in my opinion have larger support of Indian community in England and have also larger opportunities of contact with public life in England. In my view, this organisation deserves much larger support from India than it has so far received. There are also in London a large number of Indian journalists who are doing very useful work in maintaining contact between India and England."

Suggesting steps for the immediate future, Mr. Joshi said: "During my talks with friends in London, I have suggested the sending of a Parliamentary delegation or at least a Labour Party delegation to India at this time when the elections are being held. I have also suggested to the British Trade Union Congress to send its own delegation to India at this time to study labour situation in the country. I would also suggest that some of the prominent Indians should visit England at this time so that they may acquaint the British public opinion with the situation in India and also study the trends of public opinion in England on Indian questions. I attach great importance to this."

Referring to conditions in London and Europe he said that they were gradually coming to normal. Housing shortage was still felt everywhere. "I had to change my hotel accommodation four times in nine days in spite of the efforts of the High Commissioner's office. Butter and sugar are still scarce. In France prices of all articles are extremely high and transport difficulties are very great particularly in Paris. There was a wave of labour unrest in England when I was there."

FIVE INDIANS REFUSE TO TRAVEL

CAPETOWN, Nov. 22 (Reuter): The French liner "Ile de France" left today for East Africa and India carrying 3,338 passengers, including 75 Indians who embarked here.

Five Indians who booked to travel in the ship left her after inspecting the accommodation, refusing to travel under the conditions offered.

Kher Visits Dahanu Firing Scene

APPEALS TO LANDLORDS NOT TO HARASS TENANTS ANY MORE

(From Our Correspondent)

DAHANU, Nov. 19: Mr. B. G. Kher ex-Premier of Bombay and President, Adiwasi Sewa Mandal, accompanied by Mr. D. N. Wandrekar, Secretary of the Mandal and some Congress workers of the district paid a visit to several villages of the Umbergon and Dahanu Taluka, to secure first hand information about the recent firing on the Adiwasis there. Mr. Kher and his party visited the huts of those Adiwasis who were either killed or wounded in the recent firing. The party also visited the scene of firing. Mr. Kher made local enquiries about the firing. He is likely to issue a statement in this behalf.

Mr. Kher met nearly thirty landlords at Talasari, in Umbergon. He narrated to them various instances of harassment by landlords. He also expressed his suspicion to them that they were responsible for getting so many Adiwasis arrested. He implored the landlords to give up their old attitude and to approach the tenants and assure them that there would be no more victimisation. He promised help from workers of Mandal, if they needed.

Appeal To Thana Congress Workers

Addressing the Congress workers of the Thana District Congress Committee, at Bordi, last week, Mr. B. G. Kher, ex-Premier of Bombay and President Adiwasi Sewa Mandal, said: "It is the bounden duty of Congressmen to take keen interest in the struggle of the masses Congressmen can ill-afford to be indifferent to the sufferings of the people. It is their duty to step in and help the people against any injustice that is likely to be done to them. Congressmen can never be passive spectators to such incidents as firing and lathi charges in their part of the country." Earlier Mr. Kher told the Congress workers how Mahatma Gandhi and Sardar Patel were interested in the firing and how anxiously they were waiting for a report on the situation.

The meeting decided to establish closer contact with the Adiwasis. The meeting also appointed two sub-committees to tighten up election work in the District.

TARIFF BOARD HOLDS INFORMAL MEETING

Expected To Issue Questionnaire To Industrialists

An informal meeting of the Tariff Board was held at the Framji Cowasji Institute on Thursday Sir Shanmukhm Chetty presided.

It is learnt that the Board is contemplating issuing a questionnaire and inviting replies to it from the representatives of the industries which have applied for assistance and protection. When the replies are received and examined, the stage will be set for the examination of witnesses at formal meetings of the Board which will be sometime in January. The Board appears to be impressed by the need for summary inquiry and speedy reports that action might be taken in time for the protection of deserving industries.

End Of B.D.D. Chawl Strike

The Government of Bombay has informed the sweepers on strike at the Government Chawls in Bombay, that the following concessions will be granted following resumption of work by the sweepers:—

(1) Two-thirds of the establishment will be made permanent representing generally five years' service or more.

(2) Such permanency will carry with it the benefits accruing from permanent service such as pension, right to subscribe to the Bombay General Provident Fund according to the rules in force, maternity leave, etc.

(3) Additional staff will be engaged to provide for increased work under present conditions.

(4) This increase will permit the grant of regular leave under the usual rules to the temporary staff as well.

These conditions have been accepted by the sweepers who are resuming work from to-day. The concessions will therefore, come into effect from to-day.

Billawar Association Anniversary

(From A Correspondent)

In the presence of a large gathering the thirteenth anniversary the Billawar Association was held on Friday last under the presidentship of Sheth B. V. Bhoomreddi at Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall. Among the audience, Messrs. K. N. Gaitonde, T. S. Hegde, H. S. Patil, Himarati, Madhav Menon, K. P. Peer, S. C. Padubidri, U. Arjunan, Kasturi and P. L. Kottyam spoke on the activities of the Association.

Seth Bhoomreddi in his presidential address congratulated the Association for the good work it was carrying on and emphasised the need for educated people to take interest in industries so that they could be efficiently developed much better than the handling of the same by men without proper education equipment. In appreciation of the work by the Association he gave a handsome donation of Rs 1,001.

Mrs. Arjunan was good enough to entertain the audience with vocal music which was highly appreciated. The meeting terminated with a dramatic show by Mr. Sunder Rao and his party.

WHEN THIEVES FALL OUT....

BROACH, Nov. 20 (A.P.I.): One person was killed and seven others are reported to have been injured in in a free fight between two parties of bootleggers near Kansia and Mandva in Broach District.

The body of Babar who was killed in the fight was buried by the miscreants. Several persons have been arrested in this connection.

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Henderson Condemns Attitude Of Italian Waiter In West-End Hotel

LONDON, Nov. 22. (Reuter): The incident in which two Sikh holders of the Victoria Cross were recently refused admission to a West End (London) restaurant by an Italian waiter was strongly condemned in the Commons to-day.

Labour Member Mr. G. Rogers asked if the Under Secretary for India, Mr. Arthur Henderson, would consider providing accommodation for Indian soldiers visiting Britain or take other steps to prevent a recurrence of such an incident.

Mr. Henderson replied: I need hardly say that the British Government trusts that every restaurant will not merely admit but welcome members of the Indian forces and condemns in the strongest terms any restaurant which is guilty of the conduct alleged.

Accommodation is, in fact, provided in London for Indian soldiers visiting this country and they are also, of course, able to take advantage of general club and canteen facilities provided for members of the forces.

"KEPT EYE ON LARGEST PROFITS"

Rejoinder To Mill-owners

BOMBAY, Nov. 19. (A.P.I.): The assertion that the millowners never worked for the consumers during the pre-control period and that they devoted their attention only to piling up their own profits, is made by the joint secretary of the Federation of Piecegoods and Yarn Merchants' Association of India, in a rejoinder to the millowners. The joint secretary was dealing with the millowners' recent advertisement and the textile commissioner's reply thereto.

The secretary maintains that the millowners increased their prices before the war and with the advent of control, the Managing Agents colluded with the Government in gathering excess profits tax and thereby profitting themselves. The secretary further points out that at a later stage the millowners executed the directions given by the Government in respect of qualities of cloth to be manufactured "with an open eye on their profits and a blind eye towards the suitability of cloth to the requirements of the public". The millowners had thus placed in the market qualities of cloth which the consumers were not prepared to look at. They would have never produced these qualities, if they had not been assured of their sale to quota holders under the control system.

The millowners had thus exploited recent directions for the increase of production by producing qualities which yielded the largest yardage and largest profits. Even though the qualities were unserviceable and unmarketable.

The Secretary contends that in the statement of Mr. Patel, the Deputy Textile Controller "is more misleading than that of the millowners". Mr. Patel blames the traders for not taking up for distribution the "unserviceable and the unmarketable qualities of cloth". Even though they are available in thousands of bales and finally threatens the traders that they will be thrown out of the trade if they persist in this attitude.

The Secretary maintains that "The trade rightly or wrongly believes that the qualities now offered are not marketable and that they will not be able to sell them to the consumers". The trade is convinced that the consumers are not out to purchase any quality of cloth unless they are forced to do so merely for the sake of covering their shame. The trade feels that the manufacturers could have produced serviceable and marketable cloth but the trade cannot agree with the industry on the point that the quality produced by the industry will be acceptable to the consumers. "The introduction of these unserviceable, unmarketable and non-durable varieties" says the Secretary "has helped the millowners to increase the tempo of scarcity and cloth famine".

Finally the Secretary adds, "The Government officials, however efficient they may be, are not always successful in handling the distribution of cloth because of want of experience."

Nagpur Pioneer Insurance Opens Branch In City

Before a gathering of city businessmen and insurance magnates assembled at the Sunderabai Hall on Monday evening, Mr. J. O. Setalvad performed the opening ceremony of the principal office of the Nagpur Pioneer Insurance Company, Limited, at Bombay.

Speaking on the occasion Mr. Setalvad emphasised that for the healthy growth of insurance in India, it was absolutely essential that co-operation from all companies, big and small, was necessary but he regretted that at present this co-operation was singularly missing amongst them and the companies look to their own interests rather than to the interests of the trade as a whole.

Mr. M. R. Cholkar, Chairman of the Company, and Rao Saheb G. K. Dave also spoke.

The Company's Bombay office is situated at Kamar Building, Cowasji Patel Street, Fort.

Muslim Silk & Cotton Cloth Merchants Association

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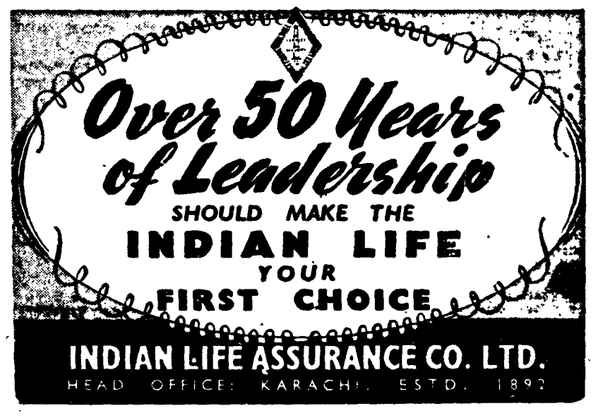

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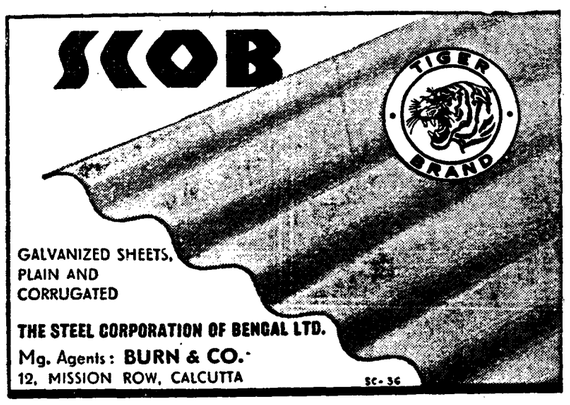

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Domestic Occurrence

IN MEMORIAM: In the fond and ever-loving memory of Mr. Behramgore Tehmuras Anklesaria of Santa Cruz who left us for his heavenly abode on the 25th November 1944. "You shall always remain in our hearts."

To-day's Engagements

VICHAR VIKAS MANDAL: Extraordinary general meeting at 9 p m today at the Bombay Gymnastic Institute, Parel.

SRI AUROBINDO CIRCLE: Anand Vihar, Dr. Nair Hospital compound, Bombay Central: Darsan Day celebrations at 6 p m today.

SHREE VENKATESH PALKHI PROCESSION: At 5 to 9 p m today at 31, Manordas Street, Fort.

RADICAL STUDENTS' UNION: A symposium on "Problems of Indian Constitution". At 6 p m today at Blavatsky Lodge, Speakers Profs. V. D. Rao; G. R. Dalvi; Pratapgiri and Mr. B. R. Lajmi. President Prof. P. A. Wadia

NATIONALIST CHRISTIAN PARTY: To accord support to Congress candidates in the forthcoming elections to the Central Legislative Assembly under the auspices of the Nationalist Christian Party a public meeting will be held on Sunday at 10-45 a m at the Nagpada Neighbourhood House, Byculla.

Dr. Jos. Alban De Souza, Mayor of Bombay will preside. The Congress candidates: Dr. G. V. Deshmukh and Mr. M. R. Masani will address the meeting.

Members of the Party are requested to be definitely present at the meeting to take final instructions for election work.

'A' WARD CONGRESS SEVA DAL: All members of the Congress Seva Dal are requested to be present on Sunday the 25th inst. at 7 a m on the parade ground. Work for the election on 29th inst. will be allotted.

GANDHARVA SANGEET MANDAL: Satar Recital by Ravishankar and Been recital and vocal music by Dabir Khan of Calcutta at 9-30 p m today at Laxmi-Baug, New Bhatwadi, Girgaum.

S. N. D. THACKERSEY INDIAN WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY: Legal instruction lectures at 1-30 p m today at the Sunderbai Hall. All women invited.

OLYMPIC ATHLETES' UNION: Fourth Open Annual Athletic meet at 2 p m today at Cooperage, Dr. D'Souza, Mayor, to preside.

GOAN ATHLETICS: The 5000 metre walk arranged by the Bombay Goan Athletic Association will start in conjunction with the BPOA similar epent at 7-30 a m tomorrow (Sunday) from the Cooperage Corner. Entries for the 50-Kilometre Walk must be sent by 5th Dec. to 31, Hamam St.

DIPLOMA IN GEOGRAPHY COURSE (1945-46): The inauguration of the Diploma Course will take place in the King George English High School, Hindu Colony, Dadar, at 5.30 p m today Mr. C. F. Buchrani, Asst. Educational Inspector (E. O.) will preside and Dr. A S Kalapesi, will address.

SUBURBAN TEACHERS TO CONFER: A public meeting will be held in Marathi School's compound Jakeria Road, Malad, at 4 p m today Mr N B Desai, Ex-Chairman of the D. School Board, Andheri, pressing to consider and protest against the inconveniences caused to schools in the B S D which are to be included in the Thana District.

BOMBAY SOUTH INDIA CLUB: Social Gathering of the Club will be held tomorrow (Sunday) at 5 p m at the South Indian Education Society's School Hall, Matunga, when Dr J M Kumarappa will speak on "My experiences in the U S A."

SANGEET VIDNYAN MANDAL: Sitar by Sjt. Ravishankar and Veena and vocal music by Mohammad Dabir Khan Saheb at 9-30 a m tomorrow at Laxmi-baug, Bhatwadi.

P. M. HINDU BATH: The 3rd annual swimming gala and aquatic sports at 6 p m S T today. Smt. Lilavti K. Munshi will preside and distribute prizes.

BOMBAY NATIONAL GUARDS: All members of the Bombay National Guards are requested to present themselves in "Muftu" on the parade ground tomorrow (Sunday) at 7 a m for the usual parade. Instructions in connection with the Central Assembly election will be given after the usual parade. For the 26th and 27th inst. (Monday and Tuesday) both holidays.

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY: Indian Concert at Sir P. M. Gardens, Malbar Hill today (Saturday) from 5-30 to 7-30 p m (S T) by Mr E P Maduskar.

A. I. W. C.: Constituent conference of all the constituencies of the A. I. W. C. Bombay will be held at the Chhabildas Lallubhai Boys' High School, Dadar, at 3-30 p m (S T) today.

MUSLIMS' MEETING: Public meeting of Muslims under the auspices of the C. Ward District Muslim League, today (Saturday) at 9-30 p m at All Umer Street Mr I I Chundrigar S K Dehlavi, Haji Noormohamed Ahmed Abubaker Kasam Patel, and others will speak on "Muslim League and election" Mr. M. O. Kokil presiding.

MONTHLY FLAG SALUTATION AT CONGRESS HOUSE: Under the auspices of the B.P.C.C., the monthly Flag Salutation Ceremony will be held tomorrow (Sunday) at 8 p m (S T), at the Congress House, when Shri Wamanrao Mukadam will unfurl the Flag and address.

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION RELIGIOUS DISCOURSES: By Swami Sambuddhanandaji at 3 p m (S T) today at Batliboi's Institute, on Vedanta Philosophy. Also at 5 p m today at Ramakrishna Centre, Dadar on Upanishads at 9 a m (S T) tomorrow at Mission Library, Khar, on Bhagwat Geeta at 5-30 p m (S T) tomorrow at Khar Road, on Teachings of Bhagawan Shree Ramakrishna Paramahamsa (all lectures in English).

"G" WARD DIST. CONGRESS COMMITTEE: The monthly Flag Salutation ceremony will be held tomorrow (Sunday) at 8 a m at the Shivaji Park Dadar. Prabhat Pherries from the Mahim and Dadar Taluka will start from the Taluka office and will go round the taluka and will reach at Shivaji Park at 8 a.m.

SHIVAJI PARK CHARKHA SANGH:—Prabhat Pherry will start from Meena House, Plot No. 132, Road No. 2, Shivaji Park, for election campaign, at 5-15 A.M. to-morrow.

GIRGAUM DISTRICT CONGRESS COMMITTEE: All 'D' Ward Congress workers and volunteers who are working for the coming Central Assembly election campaign should be present at 3-30 p.m to-day in the office of the Girgaum D.C.C.

SEVIKA DAL

The G O C of the Congress Sevika Dal writes: Sevikas of the Congress Sevika Dal residing round about Chaupatty area in Girgaum Ward are requested to be present at Chaupatty for duty today (Saturday) at 4-30 p m in uniform.

Mr. S. P. Nair who is one of the members of the Government of India Technical Mission, left for U.K. and Germany on the 8th inst. He is the technical director of Powells Ltd., Bombay, and Powells Industries Ltd., Bilimora.

PIANO RECITAL

In Aid Of Victoria Memorial School For The Blind

Under the auspices of the late Mr. Cowasjee Rustomjee Jamsetjee Memorial Fund, the well-known Italian pianist, C. Bonicelli, will give a recital on Monday the 26th instant at 6-30 p.m. at the Sir Cowasjee Jehangir Hall, in aid of the Victoria Memorial School for the Blind, at Tardeo Road.

From the proceeds, it is arranged to equip the school with models of objects in daily use and existence for the general knowledge and information of its blind inmates. From inquiries it is revealed, that many of the students who are totally blind, almost from birth, are unfortunately still unaware of the component parts of even the commonest things in life, and need, therefore, to be shown them for a proper appreciation and understanding for their benefit.

A highly attractive programme of classical music is drawn up, and an excellent performance is assured by the Cowasjee Rustomjee Jamsetjee Memorial Fund Committee. The items include Fantasia and Fugue in C minor by Bach-Liazt, Sonata II in B flat minor and Ballade IV in F minor by Chopin, and some lovely Harpsichord Compositions by well-known Italian masters.

The tickets are from Rs. 5/- to Re. 1/- the booking at "The Rhythm House" near Museum, 'phone 28328. All classes are reservable, hence early booking is recommended to ensure good seats.

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The Marwari Relief Society acknowledges with thanks the following donations in aid of the cyclone sufferers of Andhra-Desha: Messrs. Ballavdas, Calcutta, Rs. 1001 Syt. Iswari Prasad Goenka, Calcutta, Rs. 501, Syt. Hanuman Bux Nemani, Calcutta, Rs. 501, Messrs. Calcutta Wheat and Seeds Assn., Rs. 501, Messrs. Jokhiram Baijnath, Calcutta, Rs. 501, Messrs. Jokhiram Gobardhandas, Calcutta Rs. 501, Messrs. Calcutta Bullion Association, Rs. 501, Total Rs. 4.007.

Contributions may be sent to Hon. Gen. Secretary, No. 391, Upper Chitpur Road, Calcutta.

Rajah Of Mahmudabad In Bombay

The Rajah Saheb of Mahmudabad has arrived in Bombay to help Bombay Muslim League leaders in carrying on election campaign in favour of Mr. M .A. Jinnah's candidature for election to the Central Legislative Assembly.

Workers Discuss Nadkarni Report With Mayor

A deputation of the Bombay Municipal Kamgar Sangh waited on Dr. D'Souza, Mayor of Bombay, today, to discuss the Nadkarni report on the revision of scale of pay and improvement of service conditions of Municipal employees. The deputation headed by Mr. M. V. Donde said that many recommendations made by R.B. Nadkarni on pay, housing, uniform, gratuity, provident fund and permanency were quite unsatisfactory and injurious to the progressive demands of the municipal workers. The Mayor gave the deputationists patient hearing and promised to ameliorate the grievances of the workers.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

SATURDAY, Nov. 24.

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244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—8.0 a.m News (H) 8-15 News (E) 8-30 Saraswatibai Fatterpekar 8-45 Ali Hussain and Party 8.50 News (M) 9-0 News (G) 9.10 Programme Parade 9-15 Mumtaz Begam 9-30 Gujarati Garbe 9.45 D. Y. Kelkar.

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6th race: 1 Mardan, 2 Princess Of Gwalior, 3 Royal Prince.
7th race: 1 Odds On, 2 No Wonder, 3 Monel.
8th race: 1 Maah Para if absent His Excellency, 2 Persepolis, 3 Joy Hukum.
9th race: 1 Silverlining, 2 Titbit, 3 Morton Daisy.
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A. I. C. C. Vacancy

The General Secretaries of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee have issued the following press note:

A vacancy has been caused on the All-India Congress Committee owing to the resignation of Mr. Yusuf Meherally who has not been keeping good health for a long time. This vacancy will be filled by fresh election by the Congress Delegates from the City of Bombay. Nominations of candidates fo this vacancy on the prescribed form will be received at the Congress House upto 6 p m on 28th November, 1945. In case of a contest poll will take place on 29th November, 1945. The election shall be by proportional representation by single transferable votes.

CHILDHOOD & HOME EDUCATION

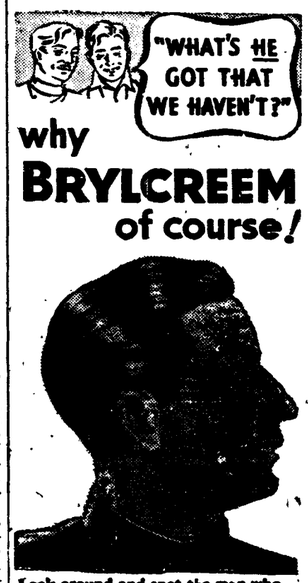
The Secretary, Childhood and Home Education Section, A.I. Federation of Educational Association, Cawnpore, writes: "The annual conference of the Childhood and Home Education Section will be held at Madras on the 29th December, 1945, from 8-30 a.m. to 11 a.m. One of the important items on the agenda of the conference is a symposium on "The Place of Children's Clubs Play Centres in Child Education."

HARIJAN STUDENTS' AND WORKERS' MEETING

A meeting of Harijan students and workers will be held at Congress House Vithalbhai Patel Road, tomorrow (Sunday) at 9 a.m (S T) to consider the proposal of starting a periodical for Harijans.

All Harijan students especially High School and College students and national-minded workers are requested to be present at this meeting, as the proposal is meant for our society's as well as the nation's uplift.

MADANAPALLE, Nov. 21 (A.P.I.): The President Chittoor, District Congress Committee, has dissolved the Tirupathi Congress Committee and has appointed a Secretary and a Special Officer.



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SEMARANG, NOV. 23, (A.P.A.) JAPANESE TROOPS UNDER BRITISH ORDERS FOUGHT INDONESIANS JUST EAST OF THIS MID-JAVA CITY LAST NIGHT, WHILE INDIAN TROOPS BATTLED INDONESIANS NORTH AND SOUTH OF BRITISH-HELD AMBANAWA, 25 MILES SOUTH OF SEMARANG.

The British said the Japanese in Semarang were extremely correct in behaviour. "They fight well and they are good troops," officials said. They added that although the Japanese, like the British, are permitted to short anyone bearing arms, they have been "very good about taking Indonesians prisoners rather than killing them."

The Japanese, who are guarding the eastern side and have been ordered to clear Kampong, encountered some resistance there and attacked briskly in the forenoon.

Ambanawa's 19,000 peace-time population was cut off from Semarang by numerous road-blocks but a completely motorized infantry company of Mahrattas with artillery and mortars and a couple of tanks left Semarang to open the road and relieve the besieged city.

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LONDON, Nov. 22 (UPA): "Soviet imperialism may be the beginning of the third war", declared the Istanbul paper, 'Watan" to-dauy, commenting on the situation in Persia.

The paper added, "The problem is really serious. After the barrel of powder has been set on fire nobody knows where the disaster will stop."

According to a Persian military spokesman, about 6,000 Russian troops have moved behind the line of retreat of the Persian troops.

CHURCHILL MAY GO TO AUSTRALIA

(From Our Correspondent)
LONDON, Nov. 22.

The "Daily Herald's" Political correspondent, Ernest Jay, understands that Mr. Churchill has finally made up his mind to go to Australia and New Zealand and probably he will leave in December. He is unlikely to return until the end of February or early March. He has no plan to resign the leadership of the Tory opposition. He is anxious that Mr. Eden will fill the place in his absence, but if the present mood among the Tories persists, attempt may be made to force his hand.

New Political Crisis In Greece

Regent's Resignation Worries New Cabinet

ATHENS, Nov. 22 (Reuter): The new Greek Cabinet today decided to ask the Regent, Archbishop Damaskinos to withdraw his resignation and retain his post.

Greek political quarters were tonight trying to persuade Archbishop Damaskinos to withdraw his resignation as the Premier, which has thrown Greece into a new political crisis within a few hours of the formation of the new Cabinet under the veteran Liberal Leader M. Themistocles Sophoulis.

Archbishop Damaskinos resigned the post of the Regent last night but solved one of the principal problems arising out of his resignation by swearing in the new Government before his resignation was to have been transmitted to King George of the Hellenes in London.

The latest news tonight was that the Regent's letter of resignation will not now be forwarded to London immediately while it is still hoped that Archbishop Damaskinos may change his mind.

According to Greece's new Premier, the Archbishop decided to resign after a statement issued in London by King George of the Hellenes declaring that the proposed postponement of the plebiscite on his return to Greece to 1948 had created "a new situation." M. Sophoulis added that he considered the King's protest an incitement to political strife in an already very disturbed atmosphere.

Employees' Request For Early Justice

The Secretary of the B. B. & C. I. Railway Employees' Union, writes:—The staff of the B. B. & C. I. Railway, are much strained to see many of their important cases still 'under consideration". The period to receive "early attention" to representations has no limit. The recent instance can be quoted that of the Reservation Office Staff whose services were dispensed with on the pretext of abolishing their department. The services of a number of old employees having thus dispensed with immediately the Administration recruited girl employees to work in the same kind of work under different name of the Department. There was an allegation that bribery and corruption was practised by certain employees. The guilty persons should have been brought to books, and the rest of the staff should have been absorbed suitably immediately. But, the Administration still hesitates to take up a decision in the matter, although the case is placed before them for a number of months. The Union has represented the case and requests the Administration to deal with the same so as to put a stop to lingering practices in giving considered decisions.

PERSIAN GOVT. DEMANDS LIBERTY OF ACTION

Moscow Still Maintains Silence Officially

LONDON, Nov. 22, (Reuter): The Persian Government demands "non-intervention" of the Allied armed forces in the country's internal affairs, and requests full liberty of action for the Persian Government to "safeguard the security of Persia.

This statement was made by the Persian Prime Minister Mr. Ibrahim Hakimi, before a secret session of Persian Parliament on Tuesday, report Reuter.

It became known in Reuter cables from Teheran yesterday that the Persian Minister of Foreign Affairs had made a request to the Soviet Embassy in Teheran to notify the Soviet Government of the Persian Government's decision to send reinforcements to Azerbaijan. The Persian Government enjoined upon the Soviet Government to respect the sovereignty of Persia, and to instruct Russian military authorities to refrain from interfering with the free action of the Persian Army and constabulary.

REACTION IN U. S. & BRITAIN

In Washington yesterday the Secretary of State Mr. James F. Byrnes said at a press conference that the United States Government had "not yet" planned any action in regard to Persian allegations that the Russians would not allow Persian reinforcements to enter Azerbaijan.

Mr. Byrnes said communications between the United States representative in Northern Persia and Teheran had been cut, and the State Department would take no decision in the matter until definite information had been received from that source.

In London the Foreign Secretary Mr. Ernest Bevin, answering questions in the House of Commons about British imperial interests in South Persia and the Persian Gulf, said: "It is the intention of the British Government to safeguard British interests in whatever part of the world they may be found."

In a written reply Mr Bevin, who on Tuesday night received the Persian Ambassador in London Mr. Seyed Hassan, adued that he understood that the autonomist group in Azerbaijan had resorted to violence against the Persian Government, and that the Persian Government had been handicapped in dealing with the outbreaks "as the presence of Soviet troops in these provinces introduces a complicating factor."

MOSCOW OFFICIALLY SILENT

In view of repeated public statements from Moscow, rejecting the principle of interference in the domestic affairs of sovereign States the Persian Government will doubtless wait with anxiety Soviet reaction to the specific complaints which it has now officially communicated to London and Washington, writes Reuter's political correspondent.

Moscow is still officially silent although Russian Press and radio continue active propaganda against alleged repression of political liberties by the Central Government of Persia.

A Soviet news agency report from Teheran says Teheran newspapers have published a police announcement of measures taken against "rebels" in Northern Persia.

The Tass message added: "The Deputy Home Minister Mr. Feridunl, the Chief of General Staff General Arfa and the Chief of the Central Police administration Mr. Zarabi have radioed a direct order to Tabris (chief town in Persian Azerbaijan), demanding that order should be ensured 'at any cost'.

2 DEMOCRAT LEADERS ARRESTED

All measures were taken under the guise of necessity to prevent a rebellion allegedly being prepared in Iranian Azerbaijan. Isolated petty incidents and clashes with Gendarmes are exaggerated. On the pretext of defence against an imaginery rebellion by separatists who in reality do not exist threats were made to summon military units to rout and suppress democratic organisations of the Azerbaijan population of Northern Iran, said the Tass message.

According to press reports arrests of Democratic Leaders are being made. The newspaper "Ettelaa" reports that in Teheran leaders of the Democratic Party Iskaner Sarabi and Hashem Arin have been arrested on the charge that they intended to engage in anti-Government activities".

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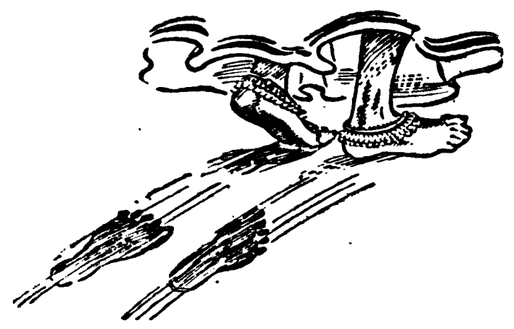

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Police Open Fire Again In Calcutta

Congress President Deplores Firing & Cautions Processionists

YANKS BELABOURED, LORRIES ON FIRE

CALCUTTA, NOV. 23. (A.P.I.) TWENTY FOUR PERSONS WERE INJURED, TEN OF THEM SERIOUSLY WHEN POLICE OPENED FIRE AT TWO PLACES IN SOUTH CALCUTTA TODAY. EIGHTEEN OF THE INJURED WERE ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL AND THE REST DISCHARGED AFTER TREATMENT.

It is reported that all trains on the E. I. Railway main line are being held up today by demonstrators between Lilloah and Belur stations. Both up and down trains are involved. The district Magistrate of Howrah has proceeded to the scene of occurrence.

Lilloah is the next station from Howrah, the E. I. R. terminus in Calcutta.

LONDON, Nov. 23, (Reuter): The Calcutta disturbances are given front page prominence in the British press today.

The news is reported under such headlines as "Riots in India Flare Again"; "Police fire on crowds"; and "Ten killed in "quit India" riot"

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.): All Calcutta has been placed out of bounds to American troops by Brig. General Robert R. Neyland, Commander of the United States base section headquarters here.

The City has not been placed out of bounds to British however.

One Police Commissioner described the situation in his area yesterday as "warming up."

Calcutta's transport system has been completely paralysed. Hospitals are so crowded with patients receiving treatment for injuries that they were unable to furnish immediate figures of the number treated. Police have been too busy to supply any information.

There was a steady stream of patients entering hospitals throughout the city. At least ten American soldiers and several British soldiers have been treated for injuries sustained in attcks by demonstrators. Two American officers were beaten in their car.

An ominous quiet prevailed over the unaffected parts of Calcutta yesterday. The streets were almost empty of pedestrian and vehicular traffic. Trams, taxi cabs and rickshaws were at a standstill. Transportation workers had called a one-day strike in protest against police firing and lathi charges on Wednesday.

The main trouble area appeared to have shifted from the Calcutta downtown section to the Tollygunge area in the south. Trucks were being burned, persons assaulted, property damaged and thousands of persons were milling about the streets. Practically all shops were closed A road block was set up along Russa Road in Tollygunge. Nothing was being allowed to pass along.

YANKS BELABOURED

In a one-mile stretch along Russa Road 22 trucks were counted burned or burning yesterday. They included American, British and Indian vehicles.

Two American officers were forced to halt their car by a fire barricade across a road in the southern section of the city. While turning their car around, they were attacked by a mob. One of the officers is reported to be suffering from a fractured skull and the other received severe injuries about the head but was able to drive away from the scene and take his companion to an army dispensary

Two officers and two soldiers suffered injuries which required their removal to a United States army hospital for further treatment. One soldier on guard duty at the army headquarters was attacked by a mob and suffered injuries about the head and face requiring several stitches. Some other soldiers who were injured were suffering from cuts and contusions caused by stones thrown at military vehicles.

British military police reported that several British soldiers received minor injuries in attacks by mobs.

15 Killed So Far

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.): The total casualties in yesterday's incidents in Calcutta are 13 killed and about 130 admitted to hospital with injuries. About 40 policemen were also injured and four of them were detained in hospital for treatment. The condition of one sergeant is stated to be serious.

With Wednesday's casualties of two killed and 61 injured, the total toll is thus 15 dead and about 230 injured.

Yesterday the fire brigade attended to about 50 calls to put out fires on military lorries and other vehicles.

FRESH TROUBLE

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.): There has been recrudescence of trouble in south Calcutta this morning.

Two military lorries have been set on fire by mobs today at the crossing of Hazara Road and Russa Road.

There is no kind of vehicular traffic on the roads in the area, except for rare military lorries. Crowds held up two such lorries and set them on flames.

A hartal prevails throughout the area. Shops, bazars and markets are closed and the situation is described as panicky.

In other parts of Calcutta also a hartal prevails. Small batches of men went about in some areas of Central Calcutta asking few shops that were open to close.

Military lorries in South Calcutta are now being taken in armed convoys, in order to protect them against mob attacks. Lorries are preceded and followed by armed soldiers in cars carrying rifles.

A reporter of the Associated Press of India who toured the area this morning says that the situation in the locality is panicky. There are large crowds on the roads and lanes shouting slogans. There is practically complete stoppage of vehicular traffic and any car seen moving about is stoned. Military lorries which were set on fire yesterday were still smouldering early this morning.

Civilian police are patrolling the streets in motor vans. They are mostly Gurkha police armed with lathis and sergeants equipped with revolvers.

The setting on fire of two military lorries from North Calcutta area has also been reported this morning.

Indians in western dress were held up by mobs and asked to change into Indian costume.

In some cases yesterday the wearers were relieved of their ties and hats. An office worker proceeding to Calcutta this morning was held up by a crowd in Howrah and asked to go back home and change into Indian dress.

AZAD DEPLORES POLICE ACTION

ALLAHABAD, Nov. 22 (A. P. I.): Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Congress President, in a interview to the "Amrit Bazaar Patrika" at Bindhyachal, regarding the firing on a student demonstration in Calcutta stated that he could not, in the absence of full and detailed report of the happenings, give his considered judgment on the incident, but his first reaction was one of indignation and abhorrence at the action of the police in firing on an unarmed crowd. Those young boys were only expressing their sympathy and concern for the members of the I.N.A. and there could have been no serious riots if they had been allowed to proceed to Dalhousie Square!

The incident at Calcutta was not isolated but a continuation of the attack on peaceful processionists at Lucknow and Lanore. It was shame ful that even girl students had not been spared in such attacks and reprisals by the police.

While condemning the Government's policy, the Congress President said that he could not refrain from comment on the action of the processionists. I, was all to the good that Indian students had developed courage and endurance, but without discipline and order these qualities were bound to go waste. There must also be regard for the advice of responsible leadership.

It was reported said the Congress President, that Mr Kiran Shanker Roy appealed to the demonstrators before firing took place and later Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose and other responsible persons appealed to them to disperse. The Congress President felt that the demonstrators would have served India better if they had listened to their own leaders at every stage inspite of grave provocation. The strength of an army was in its discipline which made it obey even unwelcome orders, and India to-day needed a disciplined army of workers.

ENTIRE TRAFFIC PARALYSED

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.): CALCUTTA THIS MORNING IS WITHOUT TRAM, BUS, TAXI OR RICKSHAW SERVICES. IT HAS ALSO NO WATER SUPPLY AND NO SWEEPERS.

The transport strike is due to the decision of the Workers' Unions of the different services deciding to continue to-day their stoppage of work which commenced yesterday, as a protest against police action during the last two days.

Workers of the different Transport Unions will meet to-day to consider the future course of action.

As a result of the strike all activity has been handicapped. Office workers, including European and Anglo-Indian business girls, are found trudging to work. Rules of attendance in business houses and offices have been relaxed.

Office-goers from the southern suburbs have also been handicapped by recrudescence of incidents this morning. Stoning of military lorries by crowds has been reported from Rusa Road area.

DECISIONS TAKEN

CALCUTTA, Nov 23 (A.P.I.): The Corporation employees' decision to go on strike was taken last evening on the expiry of their 15 days' notice to the Municipal authorities, presenting 45 demands.

The strike involves about 20,000 workers including the water works men and sweepers. The staff of medical institutions, crematoriums and burning ghats and food supply shops are not affected

Calcutta has thus found itself without water supply in its mains. The city has about 2,000 tube wells **constructed as a precaution against** air raids, and Government sometime ago decided to continue the maintenance of these wells for six months. The city's water supply has to be drawn from these wells as long as the strike lasts, but the Mayor of Calcutta last night indicated that, if necessary, military labour would be requisitioned to maintain the civic amenities of the city

There are large queues at all tube wells this morning.

11 Die In Hospital

The latest message from Calcutta says: Twenty-four persons were injured, about ten of them seriously, when the police opened fire at two places in South Calcutta to-day. Eighteen of them were admitted to the Sambunath Pandit Hospital while the rest were given first aid and discharged.

Of the 34 detained in this hospital after yesterday's incidents, 11 have so far died.

Armed police are patrolling the entire area.

Congress workers were seen patrolling the streets in private cars urging the people to be peaceful and non-violent, and to go to their homes.

Mobile and convoyed cranes are being used by the police under heavy armed escort to remove debris from the footpaths and byelanes and to clear the main road.

Ten minutes before lunch time a large crowd shouting slogans such as "Inquilab Zindanad" broke into the cricket ground at Eden Gardens and invaded the field, preventing further play in the match between the eastern zone XI and the Australian Service XI. The players thereupon retired to the Pavilion

Reaction In Commons

LONDON, Nov. 22 (Reuter).—Both British and Indian personalities in statements issued here last night condemned the firing which was resorted to at a students' demonstration in Calcutta yesterday.

Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, General Secretary of the India League declared: "Reports from India about the Calcutta Shooting are particularly tragic. It is a disgrace that the British Prime Minister Mr. Clement Attlee should have been telling the United States that Great Britain has during war offered India the right to run her own affairs and has repeatedly proclaimed here at home that Indian elections are free and that there is freedom in India—and then a perfectly legitimate demonstration is fired on.

Mr. William Galacher, Communist Member of Parliament, commented: "If Mr. Reginald Sorensen, who is a member of the India League and also member of Parliament does not raise this matter in the House of Commons then I will We must have an immediate explanation of this action."

MUSLIM STUDENTS JOIN I. N. A. DEMONSTRATION

PATNA, Nov. 22 (A.P.I.): Firing on students' demonstration at Calcutta was severely criticised at the mass rally of students held in the University maidan under the auspices of the Bihar Provincial Students' Federation The meeting warned the Government that the Government was "playing with fire."

Muslim students in large numbers also participated in the demonstrations.

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The Bombay Chronicle

VOTE CONGRESS

The election to the Central Assembly from Bombay City non-Muslim Constituency will be held on Monday next and we have no doubt most of the voters concerned have already decided to vote solid for the two Congress candidates, Dr. G. V. Deshmukh and Mr. M. R. Masani. If Congress were interested only in capturing the two seats for the city it would not have needed any elaborate propaganda. But at the most critical time in the struggle for the country's freedom the Congress needs to make sure and demonstrate that an overwhelming majority in the city, as in the country as a whole, is on its side. Such a claim has already been made good substantially by the fact that thirty Congress candidates for the Central Assembly have been already returned unopposed. Even Local Board elections, less dominated by political considerations usually, are now recording phenomenal triumphs for Congress. Thus in Cuttack District in Orissa, after securing 23 seats uncontested Congress won eight of the remaining nine seats. And in Balasore District all the 20 seats were won without contest. One wishes that the two Congress candidates for the Central Assembly from Bombay City were returned unopposed, as was Mr. Manu Subedar. Congress candidate representing the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay. But as an election is to be held, the voters should accept the challenge and show that they are almost unanimous in supporting Congress.

The main and decisive reason why the voters should do so may be briefly stated. The one dominating issue to-day in India and in many other parts of Asia is to ensure national freedom; and the Congress is the one body in India which for sixty years has led the country in the struggle for freedom. No other body can come within a measurable distance from it in respect of its record of past service or its present capacity to lead the struggle. This is recognised by countries outside India, and Asiatic countries struggling for freedom appeal to Congress for moral support. It is therefore the privilege as well as the duty of every patriotic voter in India to support Congress wholeheartedly in this the last phase of that struggle and to discountenance severely every attempt to hinder or oppose it. Many have shed their blood in the Congress struggle for freedom, many more have had to rot in jail for months and years. Many more still have actively helped Congress in various other ways for years. To be called upon to cast votes in its favour is a small thing for the individual voter but the cumulative effect of the general voting is great and must tell even on the British Government. If so, is it not deplorable—to put it mildly—for the voter to fail to render even that little occasional service? A conscientious voter regards it as almost his religious duty to cast his vote for Congress. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel cited, in his election speech on Thursday, the case of a Captain in the British Indian Army who took leave for four days to go to Nagpur to oppose his father and vote for Congress. Even ties of near relationship are not allowed by such persons to stand in the way of the duty to Congress. The other day the daughter and the son-in-law of Rao Bahadur Paranjpe, a Hindu Mahasabha candidate for the Central Assembly from Nagpur, took out a procession to support the Congress candidate Mr. P. K. Salve.

As regards the election programme, apart from the demand for immediate independence, the Congress programme is easily the fullest and the best and, what is more, it is not on paper only. Congress has enough power to carry it out. Indeed, Congress is the only body that has evolved a comprehensive programme political, economic and general, safeguading the interests of all communities and classes. It is false to suggest, as some Hindu Mahasabhaites do, that Congress has prejudiced the rights of Hindus by conceding Mr. Jinnah's claim to Pakistan. If Congress had done that Mr. Jinnah would not be railing at Congress every day. Congress stands for Federation with maximum possible autonomy to the Federating units, consistent with the safety and integrity of the Federation. All that Congress has conceded is that, if any unit decides to keep out of the Federation, it will not be coerced by a civil war. Any dispassionate critic will agree that such an attitude is just and inevitable and most calculated to induce a unit voluntarily to join the Federation and identify itself with it. Such a policy will be necessary in the case of the States, in the sense that the States people will decide to join the Federation or not. It is wise to extend it to the Provinces. It is indeed impossible for Congress or any other body to jeopardise the interests of the Hindus in any way. Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya, a veteran champion of Hindu interest is also of national freedom, and twice President of the Mahasabha, has judged all issues dispassionately and has repeatedly appealed to the Hindus to vote for Congress solid and unhesitatingly; and as an example to all Mahasabhaites he has just re-joined the Congress as a primary member. His example deserves to be emulated by all Mahasabhaites.

Finally, from the personal point of view the Congress candidates from Bombay City are both well-known Congressmen with an appreciable record of service. Dr. Deshmukh was Congress representative in the last Assembly, and is a zealous legislator and a spirited debater. Mr. Masani is new to the Legislature but not to public service. His service as a Corporator and Mayor is too well-known to the Bombay public to need reiteration. Both the candidates may be trusted to acquit themselves creditably in the Central Assembly as also outside it. In order to see that both are elected with thumping majorities it is necessary that voters should muster strong at the polling booths and give one vote to each. Sardar Vallabhbhai cited the case of an election in Ahmedabad in which the total votes of one lakh were cast so evenly between the two Congress candidates that one got only two votes more than the other. It is a splendid instance of discipline and deserves to be emulated everywhere.

One More Blunder

Once again the Government has tripped. It had by notification empowered the Controller-General of Civil Supplies and the Deputy Controller to grant sanctions to prosecute dealers under the Hoarding and Profiteering Ordinance. Under Section 14 of that Ordinance such sanction could only be given by the Central or Provincial Government or by Officers empowered by either of those Governments who must not be below the rank of District Magistrate. The High Court has rightly held that there is no basis of comparison between a Controller or Deputy Controller and a District Magistrate and it is impossible to say that a Controller or Deputy Controller is not below the rank of a District Magistrate. It has, therefore, held that the Government could not empower the Controller or his Deputy to sanction these prosecutions, and the sanctions given by those Officers were bad. On this ground, a number of dealers were acquitted last week in a batch of cases under the Ordinance which came up before the High Court in appeal or revision. It would be a pity if this obvious blunder on the part of Government has enabled some guilty dealers to escape. It may be that they can be re-tried for the same offences for which they have been acquitted by the High Court on this technical defect in the sanction to prosecute. But what waste of public time and money it would involve! Have not these costly mistakes on the part of Government been repeated once too often? And the irony of it all is that in this case, more often than not, it is the profiteers who profit by it!

Frankly Speaking

How To End War

The British Premier as well as the President of the United States has been emphasizing this week the extreme dangers of Atomic warfare and the necessity of controlling effectively the secrets as well as manufacture of the Atom bomb and such other terrible weapons of destruction. Both stressed the need to take steps in consultation with other nations to eliminate war altogether. Mr. Attlee, for instance, stated: "Just as no system of inspection or control of weapons will work without goodwill, so no international organisation, however carefully framed, will be of any avail, unless nations are resolved to lay aside war or the threat of war as an instrument of policy; unless they determine to establish between themselves such mutual confidence that war is unthinkable". Mr. Truman also spoke in a similar strain at a press conference on Thursday and urged all peoples to work for the establishment of world peace, and he considered the setting up of a preparatory commission of the U. N. O. as a fundamental step in that direction. But, neither Mr. Attlee nor Mr. Truman put the finger on the true spot of the disease from which Western democracies, so-called, are suffering. They have been busying themselves all along with the outward symptoms of the disease, but not trying to probe the real causes of the ailment. As pointed out by Mahatma Gandhi years ago, the canker at the root of the trouble among western nations is the spirit of exploitation which inspires their Governments as well as their upper classes. Armaments are being multiplied by these nations with a view to enable them to exploit the weaker peoples of the earth and to safeguard the fruits of such exploitation from being wrested from their hands by other rivals in the field.

Give Up Exploitation

As Gandhiji has written: "Immediately the spirit of exploitation goes, armaments will be felt to be a positive unbearable burden. Real disarmament can not come unless the nations of the world cease to exploit one another". In the speeches of none of the high-ranking statesmen of either the United States or Great Britain do we find any stress laid on the need to eliminate this satanic spirit of exploitation which has been inspiring most Western nations. We no doubt find these statesmen decrying the spirit of nationalism of the aggressive type, but such a spirit is engendered among nations only as a consequence of the spirit of greed for material possessions and fields for exploitation overseas which inspires the ruling and upper classes of the population of these countries. Not until, therefore, the nations guilty of such exploitation heretofore, solemnly undertake to disgorge their ill-gotten gains and foreswear for ever the desire for such exploitation in the future, it is futile to expect the spirit of nationalism to wane and the race for armaments to be given up. It is up to the United States, Great Britain, Russia, France and other Western Powers to live up to their high-sounding professions of concern for elimination of war and assurance of peace and safety to all the peoples of the earth, and to formulate plans for effective elimination of the spirit of national greed and exploitation from the nations. Will they do it?

Greek Cabinet Crisis

It is becoming increasingly evident that until the unwanted interference of the discredited royalty is eliminated from Greek politics, for the present at any rate, the country is not likely to enjoy the peace she badly needs. The British Labour Government appears to have realized this fact, since it has made it a condition of financial assistance to any Greek Government that the plebiscite for or against the return of King George of the Hellenes should be postponed until 1948. The King appears to have been highly displeased at this dictation by the British Government and has issued a statement practically censuring the Regent, Archbishop Damaskinos and the new Cabinet formed by the Liberal leader, M. Themistocles Sophoulis, for falling in with the British suggestion. But the King forgets that but for the support Greece and particularly royalty have been receiving all along from the British Government both of them would have been nowhere. The Greek royalty would have been swept away from existence altogether by the Greeks themselves but for the solicitude shown by the British Conservative Government for its survival. The Regent has submitted his resignation, but there is every likelihood of the British Government putting its foot down firmly on royalist interference and giving the fullest support to the new Government in its task of cleansing the Augean stables of Greek politics.

Food Supply In Bombay

It is some relief to the people of Bombay Province to learn that the Government of India has made an immediate additional allotment of 144,000 tons of food grains to the province to help the people to tide over the difficulty caused by the drought in South Deccan and Karnatak districts and the floods in Gujerat. But the shortage due to these causes is expected by the Bombay authorities themselves to be between 200,000 and 400,000 tons. Further allotments are, it is true, promised to be made in 1946 if found necessary, but one cannot be sure if they will be adequate. Nor can one know who will feel the pinch caused by the additional allotments to Bombay. There is food scarcity in the country as a whole and it cannot be adequately relieved unless more food is grown here and the deficit imported from abroad. Some allocations to India are expected from the Combined Food Boards in Washington. It remains to be seen if they will meet our needs.

Learn And Teach Both Scripts

Replying to a Gujarati correspondent on national language, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel has stated clearly and concisely the Congress position with regard to Hindustani. Most people now admit that Hindustani, in the sense of the language used by Hindus and Muslims in Northern India in their daily intercourse, as distinct from its literary forms, Hindi and Urdu, bids fair to be the "lingua franca" of India. As regards the script controversy, the Sardar clinches the Congress point saying: "So long as there is a large number of people in the country, who know only one script, Congressmen must learn to write in both the scripts or else they would not be able to maintain direct contact with certain sections of the people and our national activity will become lopsided as a result". It is true that at first many people, out of ignorance or prejudice, may refuse to learn both the scripts. But they themselves will miss most the advantage of close contact with those whose script they do not learn. To that extent the nation, too, loses. It, therefore, follows that those who realise the need for learning both the scripts should, for the sake of national solidarity, go a step further and help to popularise the knowledge of both the scripts.

Benchley

Not since the days of Alexander Woollcott has America produced a quipster somewhere nearing Benchley. Robert Benchley, whose death was announced yesterday morning in New York, could barely come up to the level of Woollcott. But his fame was not only confined to witticism. His contribution to the modern American screen was considerable and in a way pioneering. He was a masted in the art of "double take". This consists in a man being tapped on his shoulder unawares by a stranger. He looks around, but finds nothing unusual. But the very next movement he turns round again and after delayed realisation he registers surprise. His absence in the M. G. M. shorts will be greatly regretted. Robert Benchley was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, and attended Harvard College where he was editor of the "Lampoon". His "Benchley Beside Himself" is a grand attempt in portraying the dismal side of the mechanical man—an attempt not made by any contemporary writer. He was unsurpassable in the delicate art of self-denunciation—an art which evokes much sympathy from the unguarded reader. His cynicism had refreshing candour. A typical example of this can be had from the opening para of "Benchley Beside Himself": "I am known as a bad business man from one end of the country to just a little beyond the same end. Practically every one in my class in Kindergarten went into business after graduation, and when I say business I mean business". He was never tired of writing against himself. But when he stopped, the joke usually turned on the reader. His pieces were either seriously funny or amusingly serious. His place will be hard to fill. The world of humour is poorer to-day.

Our Readers' Views

Support Indonesia

"Might is right": this has been proved so often (and by so many means) and the latest is the act of the British Government in declaring war on Indonesian Nationalists. The British have no right of setting foot in Indonesian Republic and their promise is sheer idle talk and a moonshine. The clever people talk of freedom and in its name waged a war with Germany, Japan and Italy and now when the time has come to honour their words they not only do not do that, on the other hand they actually suppress the legitimate demands of the people who have risen in revolt to set their country free. What is the plight of India, Burma, Ceylon and other subject nations ruled by the British? It is ridiculous that Britain should be a party to suppress the Indonesian Nationalists' cause.

The days of imperialism are fast numbered..... The cause of Indonesians is the cause of the whole suppressed nations of Asia. The beginning of the end has come.

Let us, Indians, do all that we can to support the noble cause; let us, irrespective of party politics, help the Indonesians in their great cause.

A FREEDOM LOVER.

Australian Match

It was ever so disheartening that kind of "thanksgiving" to Mr. Shriniwasan, which appeared in your paper this morning. May be your correspondent was touched to his gills and hence this attack, which seemed as if he was merging principle into personality. But is it not damping the spirit, and that too, when a player needs an extra ration. Your correspondent should know the field-psychology and should have shown mercy on the player—mercy that "blesseth him that gives and him that takes." Thanking you.

B. DHUNRAJ.

Bombay No. 12.

Sugar Quota

In Bombay City an adult gets 30 tolas of sugar per week while in the villages 25 tolas is granted per head per month at irregular intervals. Logically speaking both the Bombayites and the Villagers are human beings subject to like treatment without preference to one or the other. If this principle be admitted, will not the district authorities that be be pleased to remove the anomaly and to subject the villagers to the same treatment as their Bombayite brethren? Sugar is one of the necessities of life as vital for existence as rice itself.

G. A. N.

Bombay, Nov. 15.

Insurance Act Of 1939

The Insurance Act of 1939 was passed when India was facing danger of an impending war. Yet, there is no word "War" in this Act. The provisions and contingencies pertaining to war are not anywhere mentioned in any of the Acts hitherto passed by the Indian Legislature. Perhaps the Companies affected by this class may have obtained from the Central Government necessary instructions as to their procedure.

N. R. N. AYYAR.

Attitudes And Latitudes

By 'BIRBAL'

(The views expressed in this column are not always necessarily those of the Editor.—Editor "B. C.")

A news item reported that a Russian visitor was shocked to learn that in constituencies where there is no contest the candidate or candidates are declared elected. He contended that even in such a case the voter should have a chance for voting for or against the candidates as in the Russian democratic elections. He was, however, naive enough to add that in his country only one candidate is permitted to stand—a candidate nominated by the Communist Party!

Election Prospects

In the elections to the Central Assembly four main parties are contesting: the Congress, the Muslim League, the Hindu Mahasabha and the Nationalist Muslims. Minor parties like the Justicites in the South and Khaksars in the Punjab do not arouse any interest. The Mahasabha had put up twenty-one candidates of whom four including the strongest—Dr. Gokulchand Narang—withdrew recently. Of the remaining seventeen only one—Dr. Shyam Prasad Mukherji—has any prospect of success. The latest news is that even he approached Sarat Babu and proposed that he was willing to withdraw five Hindu Mahasabha candidates provided Congress elects him to the Central Assembly.

The Nationalist Muslims have put up fourteen candidates and a keen contest is expected in Bengal and the United Provinces. The Nationalists have shown great strength and electioneering talents. Nawabzada Liaquat Ali, the General Secretary of the Muslim League, is fighting for his very existence. So is Raja of Mahmudabad. In Sind the situation is characteristically complicated. Two League candidates are contesting against each other and the odds are that the one against whom disciplinary action has been taken will come out successful. The Qaid-e-Azam will then, perhaps, transfer the disciplinary order to the defeated candidate!

The Congress has put up candidates for all the general seats and in most of the special constituencies. Already twenty-nine of its nominees have been returned unopposed. Where elections are due there is no real fight in the candidates opposing the Congress. There is no danger of defeat for a Congress candidate: his anxiety is how to get a heavy poll. So confident are the people of the success of the Congress that out of lethargy many voters might keep away and three days' continuous holiday is a temptation to the well-to-do electors to go out of station! It is necessary to have a heavy poll because the Congress is contesting the elections on the programme of "Quit India."

Four Muslims and two Sikhs stand on the Congress ticket. There is likelihood of a serious contest in these constituencies and the results will be watched with interest and anxiety.

The Congress is sure to command a majority among the elected members of the Assembly, and, with the support of the Nationalist Muslims, might have a working majority in the House. A competent receiver enters the House to take charge of authority from the present bankrupt Government.

Dragon's Teeth

Each of the Big Three is putting its big toe on the small nations. The open and unashamed British aggression in the South East Asia continues. Soviet imperialism is also on the move—only in a subtler way. An interesting case-study is Iran.

Iran is one of those unfortunate Asiatic countries which was occupied by the Allies on the plea of preventing the Axis Powers from doing likewise.

With the end of hostilities in Europe, the war in the Far East was made the pretext of continuing the occupation. The end of that war made the Iranians restless and insistent and a complete evacuation was promised. Deeds, however, belie the promises, and the worst culprit is Russia. In a truly Gilbertian way the Moscow Radio announced the evacuation of Teheran on the 10th October and a month later the Iranian Prime Minister stated that the headquarters of the Russian Army was still in Teheran and that 92,000 fresh Russian troops had been landed in Iran: More troops are evidently coming to protect the unfortunate "Leftist" who are being "oppressed" by the Iranian Government but who are now threatening to eject the Government from Teheran itself. Hitlerite tactics are being re-enacted. The Tudeh Party in Iran is Russia's Fifth Column. Through it a separationist movement is being fostered in Azerbaijan. As the Persian journal "Kanun" recently pointed out, already veiled Soviet regime exists in the area. The Iranian writ moves there only with Soviet sanction. Like Hitler Stalin is cleverly and cynically exploiting minorities to disrupt the integrity of neighbouring States. Kurds in Iraq and Turkey, and Azerbaijan in Iran. Dragon's teeth are being sown, and the harvest must inevitably be of war.

It is unfortunate that the left-wing Labourites in Britain are concentrating their attacks on their Government on the anti-Soviet slant of its foreign policy. To back Stalin is not the right way to check Bevin. The British Government needs to be attacked and exposed on its aggression in South-East Asia and the Soviet infiltration in Asia needs to be watched and countered. The world once again is divided not into two camps: the Anglo-American and the Soviets, but three—the third being of the oppressed and exploited people, especially of Asia and Africa.

False Parade

Scene is Rangoon. Burma has been liberated by Indians who are handing it over proudly to the freshly arrived British Governor. An Indian has the honour of hoisting the Union Jack; Indian formations salute it, Burmese crowds cheer lustily. Burma is liberated!

French Governor-General so-and-so arrives in Saigon. Annamites go delirious with joy. He had come to disarm the Japanese and restore law and order! The inevitable Indian lads are lurking in the background just in case.

This is Sourabaya. Dutch are sweating to restore peace with the help of Indians and Japanese. Indian soldiers parade the streets in big huge tanks while the Japanese keep guard in several places.

'Birbal' is just describing a sample but typical Indian News Parade Reel, which has for some time now become an integral part of our cinema entertainment. But, frankly speaking, this piece of film is Indian only in the sense that it is manufactured by the Information Department of Government of India; it contains no news; and it parades deliberate, undiluted and provocative propaganda for the British, their flag and their stooges and allies, with the Indians invariably displayed in the role of loyal henchmen.

To add insult to injury the commentator, specially the Hindustani one, makes it a point to go out of his way and deliver a spirited oration which justifies every act of national and international outrage as in the best traditions of justice and freedom. The mere tone makes one feel bilious.

The Information Department would do well to rename these films as "British and Allied Propaganda Parade" (B.A.P.P.) while the cinemas would render a great service, if they showed these reels at the end of the main film, and so spared the audience!

AN EPISODE (It might have happened—no one knows):—

"Citizens of Pakistan" thundered Assembly candidate Mohammad Ali Jinnah to the Muslims of Bombay, while canvassing for votes. "I have fought the Hindus single-handed—tooth and nail. I have changed my nationality to suit my state. I have striven night and day to make you different. I have created a minority problem which baffles the best brains."

So far the oration was well received and then there was an interruption.

"Did you say you have fought the Hindus tooth and nail?"

"Yes, always," was the confident reply.

"You have even changed your nationality and ours."

"Why, of course."

"And you have created a minority problem which can never be solved?"

"Yes my man yes—any more questions?"

"Then I am damned if you have not done enough. Go home and rest. I'll vote for the other candidate."

THIS INDIA: "Recently a case of miscarriage has been brought to my notice, caused by severe joltings of the tonga. Recently a man fell down from an ekka in Moulviganj. It is high time the authorities concerned seriously took up the work of properly repairing the roads, lest some day they may have to pay huge compensations to the persons concerned."

—A letter (to the Press) from a Lucknow Resident.

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TETE-A-TETE

Without Comment—

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23. (A.P.I.): All Calcutta has been placed out of bounds to American troops by Brig.-General Robert R. Neyland, Commander of the United States base section headquarters here.

The City has not been placed out of bounds to the British however.

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In the Nurenberg war criminal trials, the prosecution offered as Exhibit I a chart showing the Nazi "family tree".

The collateral branches in Britain and the United States seem, however, to have been lopped off the tree.

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WASHINGTON. Nov. 21. (A. P. A.): The late Secretary of the Navy, Frank Knox, predicted on January 24, 1941, that if war with Japan occurred, hostilities might begin with a surprise attack on the United States Pacific Fleet or naval base at Pearl Harbour.

A prophet is neither honoured nor, it seems, believed in his own land.

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In the very first speech in the Commons since his return from Washington, Mr. Attlee made a stirring plea for international confidence and co-operation. He quickly added, however, that "greater confidence and development of safeguards would have to be awaited before methods of making the Atom bomb could be "broadcast to the world".

As the old saying goes, "Trust in God but keep your powder dry."

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New Political Crisis In Greece?
—Headline.

We fail to understand what is new in this!

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Mr. De Valera has expressed the earnest hope that Indians would learn a serious lesson from Ulster and do everything to preserve the unity of India.

The lesson has been taken. The Quaid-e-Azam has made the Irish partition itself an argument in favour of Pakistan.

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Jap soldiers are reported to be fighting alongside the British in restoring law and order in Indonesia.

The Japs seem to have quickly assimilated the first lessons in democracy and freedom which the Allies are out to teach them.

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Wife Disappears With Ornaments
—News Item.

The lucky beggar!

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Quit India!

Lord Stabolgi has taken strong objection to Jawaharlal Nehru's statement that Britain need become a third class power. On the contrary, said the Labour Peer the British Commonwealth was and would remain one of the great world powers.

—If it remains a Commonwealth-cum-Empire!

LAST MINUTE TOUCHES IN ELECTION CONTEST

BOMBAY, Friday.

With the Central Assembly elections drawing near, the work of issuing individual appeals to voters by the main political parties in the city is almost complete.

During the course of this work, both the Congress and League offices in the city have found lapses in the electoral rolls which, it is pointed out, are amusing.

In the rolls for Mohommedan Constituencies, for instance, seventeen Muslims have so far been found missing from the rolls and their names have crept into the general constituency. A Hindu with a prefix, "Khan Saheb," working in a firm in Fort area, has found himself placed in the Muslim rolls. A hunt for a Muslim name—Rahim Bhoy—by the Muslim League volunteers led to the discovery that he was not really a Muslim, but a Jew and a woman at that! Her name is Rema Bai, living at Jacob Circle.

Voters from one constituency have flung far to another. For example, it is stated, voters residing in Upper Duncan Road and the furthest limit in the north of the Cadell Road will have to poll in "E" ward after covering a distance of nearly four miles either way!

LAST-MINUTE TOUCHES

But despite difficulties, both the Congress and the League offices have almost completed their preliminary work. In the Congress House compound, workers sitting in open air, with an improvised office, have been working late into the night, checking up names and issuing cards.

Nearly a thousand volunteers have been mobilized to approach voters individually from house to house. Commercial offices have also been approached to co-operate with Congress in facilitating the work.

The Nationalist Muslims have also organised a corps of volunteers to back up Mr. Husseinbhoy Laljee, Mr. Jinnah's rival.

LEAGUE PLANS

The League Office in the city has been turned into a veritable beehive of activities. For the last seven days men and women volunteers have been besieging the office. Every Muslim voter for the Central Assembly has been approached with a printed appeal and message accompanied by a card from Mr. Jinnah, President of the Muslim League and a candidate for the seat, with a request that the card may be returned with the voter's signature, if he wished to vote for Mr. Jinnah.

The work in the polling booths in the Muslim area has already been planned and allotted. Near each polling booth, there will be four lady volunteers with one leader, each wearing a Muslim League badge.

Night meetings by leaders will be held till the very eve of the election day. Dr. Deshmukh and Mr. Masani addressed a meeting at Nappoo Gardens tonight. While the Congress candidates are mainly billed to address the meetings themselves, the Muslim League have requisitioned the services of outside leaders. A contingent of four leaders, including Mr. Nizamuddin Querishi, President of the Ahmedabad District in Bombay on Saturday (today). Raja of Mahumudabad, member of the Muslim League Working Committee, arrived yesterday and addressed a meeting tonight.

CONGRESS CANDIDATES

The Congress candidates for the two seats in the city are: Dr. G. V. Deshmukh and Mr. M. R. Masani. There are three candidates in the field, the other being Mr. K. H. Dhamdhere, a Hindu Mahasabha candidate.

Forty-five thousand voters will be called upon to make their choice for the two seats from the non Mohommedan constituency on Monday. Polling in nine booths will commence at 8 a.m. and continue till 6 p.m.

For the Mohommedan constituency, the voters are above 5,000 and they will be called upon to vote on Tuesday during the same period.

Voters in the various wards of the general constituency are: A—19217; B—2850; C—6680; D—7321; E—2589; F—4550; G—3592.

Voters for the various wards of the Mohommedan constituency are: A—1094; B—2285; C—734; D—382; E—569; F—235; G—156.

Move For Memorial To Narayana Guru

A motley crowd of Hindus, Christians, Muslims and Billavars attended the public meeting held on Sunday at Blavatsky Lodge under the auspices of Sree Narayana Smaraka Samiti. Mr. Thomas Korula a great exponent of the Sree Narayana Guru's teachings, presided.

The Secretary of the Samiti apprised the public of the aims and object of the proposed Institution to be started in memory of His Holiness Sree Narayana Guru. Promotion of unity among Malayalees, crusade against illiteracy, removal of untouchability, conducting of night schools and libraries, organising of charity funds, opening of free dispensaries, and building of a Smaraka Mandir are the main objects of the Samiti.

Speeches were made on the greatness of the revered saint who dominated the spiritual, political and social life of more than 20 lakhs of people in South India.

The President in his concluding speech said, the teachings of Sree Narayana Guru have contributed to a very great extent for the betterment of the world and the humanitarian services rendered by the Guru will ever be remembered by the coming generations.

New Status Of Manchuria

Sino-Soviet Communique To Be Issued

CHUNGKING, Nov. 23. (Reuter): A joint Chinese Soviet communique dealing with the status and control of Manchuria is expected to be issued shortly, it was reported today in "New Szechwan Daily News", according to Reuter.

The "Citizens Daily News", organ of Chungking financiers, says: "Cordial Sino-Soviet negotiations are continuing with Soviet authorities ready to fulfil their treaty obligation to the letter."

Commenting on the situation in Manchuria where operations for the replacement of Soviet occupying force by the Chinese central government troops have been delayed by the Chinese Communists penetration of the province, the paper says: "If negotiations are successful national troops within a month and half may be redeployed throughout large cities and towns in the North-east.

Alleged Communist Trouble In Korea

CHUNGKING, Nov. 23. (Reuter): The allegation that "Radical Communists" in Korea were trying to create misunderstandings between the Soviet Government and Korea "with the hope of precipitating international complications" has been made here by Dr. Syngman Rhee President of "The Korean Provisional Government."

Meanwhile Chinese Communist forces after having been repulsed three times were last night massing for another heavy attack on Paotow, west of Kweisui, capital of Suiyuan Province according to a dispatch from the twelfth war zone.

The Government-controlled central news agency reported that reinforcements had now reached the main communist force attacking Kweisui.

ANOTHER COURT MARTIAL

Indian Brigadier To Preside Over Trial Of Capt. Burhan-ud-Din

NEW DELHI, Nov. 23 (API): The General Court Martial to try Capt. Burhan-ud-Din will meet on December 3, it is learnt.

The Court will be presided over by Brig. K. M. Cariappa I.A., and other members are: Lt.-Col. C. H. Jackson, I.A., Lt.-Col. A. L. Bell, 2/Gr., Maj. Bashir Ahmed M/Lt. I.N.F., Maj. Ali Mahmud 1/Punjab, Maj. D. R. Puri, R.I.A.S.C., Maj. Ali Raza Khan, Rajput Rgt. Waiting members will be Maj. S. S. Pandit 1st Punjab, Capt. N. S. Canteenwala of the Baluch Regiment.

The Judge-Advocate will be Maj. V. H. Ruse, Ind. Sig., D.A.A.G., Jumna Area.

The prosecutor will be Maj. O. R. Surita.

The defence counsel include Mr. Asaf Ali, Dr. P. K. Sen, ex-Judge of Patna High Court, Mr. Mahmud Ali, Mr. N. A. Latif of Quetta, Rai Bahadur Harishchandra and Sultan Yar Ali Khan.

League Defence For Abdur Rashid

NEW DELHI, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—A meeting of the I.N.A. Defence Committee appointed by the All-India Muslim League will be held on November 28 to discuss the Defence of Captain Abdur Rashid and the line of action to be taken by the Defence Committee in other cases of I.N.A. men which may come up later.

PUNJAB GOES TO POLLS

LAHORE, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—Elections to the Central Assembly for the Punjab Constituencies began today throughout the Province.

One man was arrested in Lahore on the charge of impersonating at one of the polling booths.

The first day's polling as reports so far indicate, passed off without any outward happening.

C. P. GOES TO POLLS

NAGPUR, Nov. 23 (API): Electors to the Central Assembly cast their votes to-day at eleven polling booths in Nagpur City and some other towns in Nagpur Division and five other districts. Candidates contesting the election are Mr. P. K. Salve (Congress) and Mr. D. V. Paranjpe (Hindu Mahasabha). At many booths Congress canvassers were very active and throughout the city young boys carrying Congress Tricolour Flags exhorted voters to support the Congress candidate.

Of the six seats to the Central Assembly allotted to the Central Provinces, five have already been filled as the candidates from those constituencies (four Congress and one Muslim League) were returned unopposed.

A message from Wardha states that the polling in the Wardha Division was very heavy.

TO-MORROW'S B. C. WEEKLY

Dr. Joad pleads for a World State.

Louis Fischer tries to solve the riddle of Russia.

"Phoenix" discusses some Indian poets.

A skit on "Booty & The Beast" and a gripping story by an author who saw his own funeral!

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MAHASABHA PRETENSIONS EXPOSED

Masani And Deshmukh Explain Congress Stand And Tell Voters What Present Elections Signify

BOMBAY, November 23.

"The elections to the Central and Provincial Legislative Assemblies are somewhat in the nature of a plebiscite on the independence and unity of India. That is their special significance, and it dictates the desirability of a very high poll to show the strength of our resolve for a free and united India," declared Mr. M. R. Masani at a largely attended public meeting held in the Napoo Gardens, Matunga, this evening in support of the Congress election campaign, Mr. C. K. Narayanswamy presided.

Mr. Masani analysed the issues that confronted the voter when making his choice between the Congress candidates and the Hindu Mahasabha candidate. While the Congress and the Mahasabha were both opposed to the vivisection of India, their conceptions of a united India were fundamentally different. According to the manifesto of the Hindu Mahasabha candidate, "Hindus rightly claim that they are a nation in India." By the same logic, the Muslims, not to mention the smaller minorities, would be equally entitled to claim nationhood. Thus the Mahasabha was giving support to the two nation theory and playing into Mr. Jinnah's hands. By contrast, the Congress stood for a democratic India based on common nationhood. The August 1942 Resolution of the A.I.C.C. had declared that in a free India political power would vest in the hands of the toilers in the fields and factories, shops and offices.

Mr. Masani pointed out how India's fight for freedom was linked up with those of other Asiatic countries which were either struggling to retain or to regain their independence from one or other European power. A great bond of Asiatic brotherhood bound the peoples of Turkey, Iran, India, Indonesia, Indo-China and China in their common struggle against the attempts of one or other of the "Big Three" to enslave them. At such a time, the only organisation which could strengthen the bonds of Asiatic solidarity was the Indian National Congress, with which alone our Asiatic neighbours would be prepared to deal.

Dr. G. V. Deshmukh who followed spoke in Marathi and English. He launched a fruital attack on the Hindu Mahasabha and exposes the contentions raised by its candidate in his Manifesto point by point. He characterised them as either extravagant or dishonest. He did not want to say which, but would leave the judgment to the people. On his own showing the Mahasabha candidate had no claim on the suffrage of the people. He was sure that on Monday, 26th instant, this would be proved beyond doubt. He urged the voters to vote Congress and thus demonstrate their determination to free India.

STUDENTS WALK OUT OF SCHOOLS & COLLEGES

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to disperse student procssionists who tried to go out of the marked routes. Besides the fifteen arrests made this morning by the Esplanade Police, eight others including one of the Joint Secretaries of the Students Congress were arrested by the Mar-bavdi police.

The main procession proceeded peacefully to Chowpatty sands where a meeting was held to pay tributes to the "Martyrs of Calcutta." A resolution demanding the immediate release of all I.N.A. men now on trial was passed.

CONSTABLE INJURED

One police constable received slight injuries when some students staging a demonstration at Khetwadi assaulted him.

At Prarthana Samaj a number of students pelted stones at the Ram Mohan School where classes were being conducted. Some of the stones were thrown in the direction of the public road, hitting tram-cars, motor-cars and pedestrians.

In all 27 students were arrested. Of these only six were let off.

COMMUNISTS ALSO PROTEST

Communist leaders condemned the police firings on Calcutta students, at protest meetings held under the auspices of the Communist Party of India at four different places in Bombay North on Friday evening.

They characterised this action of the Calcutta police as uncalled for, unnecessary and provocative.

SABOTAGING ELECTIONS?

They were of the opinion that the police action at this juncture was an attack on civil liberties calculated to sabotage the forthcoming elections.

A resolution condemning the Calcutta police firings, was passed at all the four meetings. The resolution also demanded the release of all I.N.A. men and officers.

The meetings were held at Delisle Road, Fergusson Road, Century Mill ground and Sewri. Dr. H. B. Savant, Mr. B. T. Ranadive, Mr. K. T. Sule, Mr. L. K. Oak, Mr. P. K. Kurne and Miss Kusum Ranadive were among the speakers.

WORKERS CONDEMN CALCUTTA FIRINGS

Bombay workers held meetings and demonstrations at various places on Friday to condemn the firing on Calcutta Student demonstrators and to demand the release of I.N.A. Prisoners.

In the morning workers of two textile mills went on strike as a protest. Parel workshop (G.I.P.) Railway workers came out after the recess and held a meeting under the presidentship of Mr. D. S. Vaidya.

The meeting passed a resolution condemning the Calcutta firings demanding impartial inquiry into the conduct of those responsible for it and the release of persons arrested in this connection. It held that the Government had no right to try the I.N.A. men and Officers and demanded their immediate and unconditional release.

IN LUCKNOW

LUCKNOW, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—The students of Lucknow schools and colleges, including the girls' educational institutions, observed a complete strike today as a protest against the police firing and lathi charges in Calcutta.

About five thousand students collected in Aminuddalluah Park and passed a resolution condemning the firing in Calcutta and sympathising with the victims.

Earlier the students marched in a procession from the Lucknow University and paraded the main streets of the city shouting I.N.A. slogans.

The students of Kanyakubja Intermediate College hoisted the Congress Flag on the Institute building against the wishes of the College authorities.

IN CUTTACK

CUTTACK, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—Students of the Ravenshaw College abstained from attending their classes today as a protest against the police firing on student demonstrators in Calcutta.

Later they met in the College compound and passed a resolution that they would continue their "strike" tomorrow and asked students of other educational institutions to join with them.

IN BURDWAN

BURDWAN, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—Students of local educational institutions absented themselves from classes today as a mark of protest against the police firing on peaceful student demonstrators in Calcutta.

They paraded the streets of the town and held a meeting in the Town Hall Maidan.

Resolutions condoling the death of Miss Jyotirmoye Ganguly and Rameswar Banarjee and demanding a public enquiry into the police atrocities were adopted.

Other resolutions expressed pride at the stand taken by the Calcutta students and demanded the release of I.N.A. men.

IN AHMEDABAD

AHMEDABAD, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—A large number of students absented themselves today from local schools and colleges as protest against the firing and lathi charges on students in Calcutta. They took out a procession shouting slogans which terminated in the Congress House and held a meeting under the presidentship of Mr. Arjunlal Lala Secretary of the City Congress Committee. Mr. Indulal Yagnik and other speakers asked students to be ready for another struggle if the repression by Government continued.

IN AMRITSAR

AMRITSAR, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—The students of the Hindu Mahasabha College refused to attend their class again today as a protest against the firing in Calcutta.

At a meeting of the students held in the College resolutions condemning the firing in Calcutta and lathi charge in Amritsar were adopted.

The students of the Glancy Medical College who were on strike yesterday adopted resolution demanding the release of the I.N.A. personnel, condemning the lathi charge in Amritsar and other places and demanding the release of arrested students.

The bail applications on behalf of the 22 students arrested here on November 21 will be taken up tomorrow. The Congress has decided to defend them.

The students were arrested under the Defence of India Rule 5 for alleged defiance of orders by taking out processions in Amritsar on the I.N.A. Day.

IN KARACHI

KARACHI, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—As a protest against the police firing in Calcutta, the Karachi Municipal Corporation adjourned its meeting this evening without transacting any business.

SEN BACK WITH A.P.I.

BOMBAY, Nov. 23 (API.) On relinquishing the Chief Press Advisership to the Government of India, Sir Usharnath Sen resumed the Managing Editorship of the Associated Press of India at New Delhi with effect from November 1.

Sir U. N. Sen is also a Director of the A. P. I.

STOP PRESS

VOTE OF CONFIDENCE IN NEW FRENCH CABINET

PARIS, Nov. 23 (A.P.A.)—The Constituent Assembly today gave an unanimous vote of confidence to France's new Cabinet which President De Gaulle pledged to international co-operation in the dangerous world of the atom bomb. The Communists promised loyal but "not a blind" support of the Government.

The vote followed a speech by De Gaulle outlining his policy.

SHERMAN TANKS HELP BR. ADVANCE

SOURABAYA, Nov. 23 (A.P.A.)—In the swift advances of the Sourabaya offensive Indian troops today advanced up to 2,000 yards southward and by nightfall held about two-thirds of this city.

British troops employed Sherman tanks for the first time and Indonesian resistance melted before their tremendous fire power. The British completed their advance with not a single casualty. Indonesian casualties were estimated at around 40.

Rumour-Mongers At Work

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23.

False reports of Pandit Jawaharlal having arrived in Calcutta, and of his being mobbed at Howrah and having been physically assaulted were sedulously spread by mischief-makers in the city today, says Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose in a press statement. Mr. Bose requests the public not to believe these false reports and rumours at all.

Giving another instance of "how false rumours are being spread by people who proudly declare themselves to be 'evolutionaries' but who do not hesitate to become allies of Imperialists when it suits them, "Mr. Bose says that he had received many telephone enquiries this evening whether his elder brother Mr. Satish Chandra Bose had succumbed to injuries and had already been taken to the burning ghat.

Enquiries were also made whether Mr. Bose's younger brother, Dr. Sunil Bose, had met with the same fate and whether Mr. Sisir Kumar Bose (third son of Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose) had received gunshot wounds.

'I would request citizens and students of Calcutta not to place the slightest faith in such reports and rumours," says Mr. Bose.

MAULANA AZAD DEMANDS SEARCHING INQUIRY

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ing round Calcutta asking demonstrators to disperse peacefully. There have been no huge crowds like those of yesterday.

Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose has issued another appeal asking students and citizens to co-operate in putting down all attempts at goondaism, arson and lawlessness. "Some military lorries and private cars have been set on fire, citizens proceeding to their places of business have been obstructed, and I am told that even ladies have been forced to get out of their conveyances and addressed rudely" says Mr. Bose. "This is the work of hooligans, goondas and mischief workers and those who have been instigating them all these days."

Mr. Bose has specially appealed for co-operation to prevent hooligans from setting fire to lorries and cars as well as to stop molestation of men and women going about in conveyances or on foot.

STOP VIOLENCE

Another appeal signed by 25 prominent citizens of Calcutta, including Mr. Kiran Sankar Roy and the President of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee, Mr. Surendra Mohan Ghosh, also calls on all to attempt individually and collectively to stop acts of violence. The sporadic acts of violence which are reported from different parts of the city have nothing to do with the students' cause, which stands vindicated today. These leaders say they "sincerely deplore such isolated acts of violence and strongly condemn them since they damage the national cause."

League Ban On Even Seeing Demonstrations!

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—"The demonstration of students and the Hindu public against the I.N.A. trial has created a critical situation in Calcutta," says the Secretary of the Calcutta Muslim League, Mr. S. M. Usman, in a statement to the press.

"Mobs are going out of control and in some places the police is resorting to firing.

It has been brought to my notice, that some Muslim League flags were also flying among the demonstrators. I should like to inform the Muslim citizens of Calcutta that the Muslim League has abstained from all such demonstrations. Muslim League flags among the demonstrators should not mislead the Muslim citizens of Calcutta."

Appealing to the Muslims of Calcutta in general, and the Muslim students in particular, to abstain from such demonstrations, the Secretary says: "They should not be even sight-seers of such demonstrations."

A. I. S. F. Condemns Police Firing In Calcutta

Satyapal Dang, General Secretary of the All-India Students' Federation, has issued the following statement:

After brutal lathi charges on the students of Lahore and Lucknow now comes the news of police firing on a student demonstration in Calcutta held to demand the release of the I.N.A. men.

As a result of this unwarranted attack one has been killed and 52 injured.

This is not the first time that the Government is trying to terrorise students with the help of lathi charges and firings.

On behalf of the All-India Students' Federation, I appeal to students all over the country to unitedly protest against the police repression and Calcutta firing. It must be made clear to the Government that as in the past so now and in the future it cannot and shall not succeed in terrorising the student community of India.

"COLLEGES SHOULD BE CLOSED DOWN"

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (O.P.I.): Prominent members of the syndicate met yesterday to consider the situation arising out of the trouble among the students. Lt. Col. Suharwardy expressed the view that the matter requires handling with understanding and sympathy. In his opinion, the University as well as Colleges should be closed down, immediately.

Students of the Medical College in a meeting condemned the "autocraties and high handedness of Police authorities and resolved to organise volunteers to give medical aid to the injured."

Mr. Bhabani Sen, Secretary Communist Party condemned Police firing on peaceful and non-violent student demonstrators and demanded immediate enquiry and punishment to those responsible for these brutal acts and urges upon leaders of all parties to come forward and condemn the action of the police and raise a joint voice of protest.

STIFF SKIRMISHING IN CENTRAL JAVA

New Cabinet To Call For United Front

BATAVIA, Nov. 23, (A. P. A.): More stiff skirmishing was reported from Central Java today as Gurkhas battled for a break through to Ambarawa.

To-day's British 'communique' said nine British soldiers were killed and one was wounded in the fighting.

In fighting along the Ambarawa road, it was believed that at least 150 Indonesians were killed. A second company of Gurkhas "after disposing of opposition" arrived at Amabrawa last night and the situation there was reported quiet now. All road blocks in Ambarawa itself have been removed.

Troops from Semarang are also 'en route' to Ambarawa, clearly demonstrating the need for greater British strength to protect 10,000 internees in the camp for repatriation of Allied prisoners of war and internees (RAPWI).

Resistance to British advance continued in Sourabaya, the British reported, and added that there was unrest in Bandeong.

NEW CABINET IN CHARGE

Reuter's messages said:—

The Indonesian President, Dr. Soekarno formally transferred power from the old to the new Cabinet at a meeting of both the cabinets at his residence to-day, radios Reuter's Special Correspondent.

Dr. Soekarno said: "It is my hope that the running of the Government machine will continue smoothly. We face the most critical and most important moment of our history and only by close co-operation between all sons of Indonesia can we overcome our difficulties. I know the old Cabinet will work harmoniously with the new".

Premier Dr. Sutan Sjahrir said that he had received every help from the old Cabinet. "We have difficulties to face that can only be faced together and we are working closely together knowing it is for our country. The ground on which we stand is not very strong, therefore, we must impress on our people the necessity to present a united front to the world."

After the ceremony both the cabinets with Dr. Soekarno and the Vice-President, Dr. Hatta went into a joint session.

British Plane Crash

A British transport Dakota with about 20 Indian other ranks aboard crashed this afternoon in the Meester Cornelis area south-east of Batavia shortly after taking off from Kemajoran for Semarang.

Dutch Women's Petition

Dutch women internees in Indonesian intern camps in Batavia area have petitioned to Gen. Sir Philip Christison, Allied Commander-in-Chief, Netherlands East Indies, requesting him not to withdraw Amboinese troops there in view of their loyalty to the Dutch cause and because they were invaluable for protecting Europeans, the Netherlands News Agency stated to-day.

Ceylon Council's Support To Indonesians

COLOMBO, Nov. 23 (API): The Ceylon State Council unanimously adopted Mr. V. Nalliah's resolution expressing sympathy with the Indonesians and Indo-Chinese peoples in their fight for freedom and requesting that the Ceylon Government give no help in suppressing the movements.

INDO-CHINA CASUALTIES

SAIGON, Nov. 23 (UPA). Over 3,000 Annamites were killed and about 5,000 imprisoned for a French loss of 400 killed since Sept. 23, according to a French official.

Care-Taker Of Dutch Empire!

Bevin Outlines British Task In Indonesia

LONDON, November 23. (Reuter): In the course of his statement on the second day of the Foreign Policy debate in the House of Commons, Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, outlined the Government's tasks in Indonesia.

Mr. Bevin then came to Indonesia. Britain's task in Indonesia, he said, was allocated to her on behalf of the Allies he said "We are there to wind up the war with Japan and in doing this, Admiral Mountbatten has been carrying out a job allocated to us under the surrender arrangements made by General MacArthur as Supreme Commander for the Allied forces."

Declaring that Britain's military tasks there were to disarm and concentrate the Japanese forces rescue and bring home British prisoners-of-war and rescue the thousands of internees, Mr. Bevin said that Britain had no intention of using any British forces for any other purpose or against the inhabitants. Indeed British efforts to avoid shedding blood had resulted in her being accused of weakness.

Mr. Bevin said that the British had no intention of being involved in any constitutional dispute between the Netherlands Government and the people of the Netherlands East Indies. Once the military objectives had been attained and civil administration placed on its feet again, the British were resolved to withdraw their troops at rapidly as possible.

It must be remembered, however, that the Netherlands Government stood by Britain when she was attacked by Japan and were, he believed, the first actually to declare war on Japan. It was not Britain's fault nor that of the Netherlands East Indies that they were unable to assume control.

It was therefore quite clear that the British Government had a definite agreement that they provide for the Netherlands Indies Government to resume as rapidly as practicable full responsibility for the administration of Netherlands East Indies territory.

Shyama Prasad Suffers From Heart Attack

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.)—Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee, President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, who left for Titaghur this morning, has been taken ill with a sudden heart attack there, according to information received in Calcutta tonight. Mr. Indu Bhusan Bose has left for Titaghur, with some members of Dr. Mookerjee's family. Dr. Mookerjee is lying ill at the residence of Rai Sahib Tarak Nath Chatterjee at Titaghur.

BROUGHT TO CALCUTTA

Dr. Mookerjee was brought to his Calcutta residence from Titaghur about 12-45 a.m.

It is learnt that his health is very much better and that the sudden illness was due to the exertions of the past few days.

PRINCE DULEEPSINGH HELD UP BY MOB

CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.): Prince Duleepsinghjee, the Secretary of the Cricket Club of India and one of the three selectors for the Indian Test team against the Australian Services Cricket side, was one of those held up by a mob in Calcutta.

Duleepsinghjee was driving in the city from the aerodrome when his car was surrounded by the mob who demanded that he should take off his tie. As the shouting was in Bengali, Duleepsinghjee did not understand what was wanted of him but finally he was allowed to proceed.

MOUNTBATTENS IN DELHI

NEW DELHI, Nov. 23 (API.)

Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten and Lady Louis Mountbatten have arrived in Delhi.

Bevin's Call To Big Powers

LONDON, Nov 23. (Reuter): The British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, resuming the two-day debate on Foreign Affairs in the House of Commons to-day invited any nation, large or small, which was suspicious of Great Britain to tell him frankly what their suspicions were and he would frankly face them. Equally, he would say to other countries that nothing could remove suspicion but utmost frankness.

Mr. Bevin said: "During yesterday's discussion much was said about suspicion and I would like to deal with that at once.

"I can only repeat what I said on November 7 that if the Great Powers who are primarily concerned will say exactly what they want either in territory or bases or in any other form then it can be examined and there is no cause to take any action of any kind which will cast reflection on the action of one another. I used the phrase then: 'Let us put all our cards on the table, face upwards'. If any large or small nation in the world is suspicious of Great Britain I invite them to tell me frankly what their suspicions are and I will frankly face them. Equally, I say to other countries that nothing can remove suspicion but utmost frankness as to our respective policies.

"I cannot see why there should be suspicion at all. We have agreed to the United Nations. De know its obligations. We are a party and Great Britain will not be afraid and will not in any way decline to have anything it does or wants or seeks to promote discussed in open assembly of the United Nations if necessary. I don't think I can be franker to remove suspicion han that."

ATOM BOMB

Dealing with the procedure to be adopted in connection with the atomic bomb Mr. Bevin did not think any good purpose would be served at the moment by calling a special meeting to consider it. The General Assembly of the United Nations would be meeting on January 2 or 7 and that was not very far off.

"I hope the atom bomb will not be used before January 7", he added amid laughter.

The Assembly would have as its first task the election of a Security Council and, therefore, the proposals of the British Government, the United States and Canada would, no doubt, then be considered and early decisions taken on how the Council should be set up.

"I want, however, to make it clear whatever may be the ultimate result in consideration and discussion of the constitution of the United Nations, its effectiveness or otherwise, I must say at the outset that that instrument has been created. It is on the statute books of an overwhelming majority of the Nations in the world and we must develop that instrument.

"It is ready at hand and if new dangers have caused need for more new measures this final step to world order must be dealt with without detriment to the using of the instrument that we have created up to date. Therefore, it will be the purpose of His Majesty's Government to utilise the United Nations—may I say to stretch it to the limit of its capacity from the security point of view conscious all the time as was stated yesterday that the world is moving so fast that great changes have arisen since Mr. Eden was at San Francisco."

'WESTERN BLOC'

Referring to France in connection "with the alleged Western Bloc", Mr. Bevin said: "Suspicion or no suspicion—I cannot help it if people have groundless suspicions—they have no right to accuse us and I am not going to accept it.

"But I must, and the British Government must go on with the task of building up friendship with our immediate neighbours, economically and assisting one another in promotion of the well-being of all. If people say we are doing wrong, let them examine what we do. I can only say that we shall not commit in any arrangement we make any unfriendly act towards any other nation, great or small. I cannot accept the view that all my policy and the policy of the British Government must be based entirely on the "Big Three" (Labour Cheers).

"I recognise they are Great Powers and if they exercise their responsibilities rightly and justly they can be a great umbrella for security and peace of millions throughout the world.

BASIS FOR DECISION

"But I cannot allow myself—if an Ambassador or a representative of a Foreign Secretary sees me to discuss a matter between his nation and our's—I cannot allow myself for one moment to consider whether his is a great nation or a small one. I think it will be accepted by the House and the country that I should be failing in my duty if I did not try and decide the issue on the basis of facts and do right because it is right to do right and not because I am forced by what might happen.

That is the principle upon which we must work and I hope it will not be interpreted as being antagonistic to anyone because it does not matter whether it is a small nation or a big nation. To me they are human beings.

"The fact that they are divided into large or small countries may be accident of power or geography, but it does not alter the value of the contribution they can make to humanity as a whole.

ASSURANCE TO FRANCE

"May I say that civilising influence is not determined by the volume of armaments you have got, but by the cultural development you possess. In the case of France, there is a great history and I am convinced there is a great future.

POLAND, GERMANY & ITALY

Referring to the transfer of German population Mr. Bevin said he felt justified in holding out some hope that Britain's efforts for orderly humane transfers had met with some success.

Most recent reports suggested that expulsions and enforced migrations from Poland had diminished considerably. From Czechoslovakia they were on the whole loyally suspended by the Czechoslovak Government after the Potsdam decision.

Mr. Bevin said that under the plans now agreed by the Allied Control Council in Berlin, settlement of some three-and-a-half million Germans from Poland, two-and-half millions from Czechoslovakia and a half a million from Hungary was to take place. Of this total one-and-half million from Poland would be settled in the British zone.

AN APPEAL

THE K. E. M. HOSPITAL PATIENTS' LIBRARY & NURSERY FUND

It is a calamity to fall ill. The poorer the person, the greater is the calamity. The public Hospitals do minister efficiently to the needs of the ailing body, but are not in a position to ensure those few amenities which seem to make the miserable moments, shorter. An idea has been put forward to provide suita le books, periodicals magazines etc. for the grown-up patients and picture-books, puzzles and toys for the children. A committee has been formed to take steps to give a practical shape to this scheme. The Committee appeals to you to give it your support in cash or kind.

Contributions should be sent to:—
Dr. P. K. SEN, M. S.
C/o Dr R. G. Dhayagude M. D.
K. E. M. Hospital, Parel,
BOMBAY.

When Subhas Refused A Crown

JUBBULPORE November 22 (API): A batch of 78 ex-prisoners of war, formerly belonging to the I.E.M.E., who along with other I.N.A. men were captured by the Allies in Burma in May, 1945, has been discharged from Jubbulpore last evening after interrogation and examination of their papers.

In an interview to the Associated Press of India the discharged men declared that they were not prepared to believe the news of Subhas Chandra Bose's death. Subhas Bose according to them could not die until India was liberated.

One of the members of the batch who claims to have been with Subhas Bose upto April 1945 disclosed that Subhas Bose was weighed against gold four times by Indians, Malayans, and Burmese. The gold was later on earmarked for the I.N.A.

One of the prisoners of war said that the request of a Burmese merchant to place a crown bedecked with diamonds on Subhas Bose's head on the occasion of the celebration of the latter's birthday was turned down by Mr. Bose who said he was not prepared either to accept or wear a crown.

It is considered likely that Jubbulpore jail will be used to accommodate these large numbers of prisoners in the near future.

SARDAR TO SPEAK AT CHOWPATTY TO-DAY

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel will address another public meeting of the citizens of Bombay at Chowpatty to be held under the auspices of the B.P.C.C. at 5-30 p.m. today (Saturday). Shri Nagindas Master will preside.

Loud speakers will be installed and special enclosure will be reserved for ladies.

Congress volunteers and Sevikas are required to present themselves for duty at 3-30 p.m.

INDIA IMPATIENT TO GET FREEDOM

N. M. Joshi Put Common Man's Views Before British Labour Chiefs

BOMBAY, Nov. 22. (A.P.I.): There is no reason yet for us to despair and feel that the Labour Government will fail to fulfil its promise of freedom to India, observes Mr. N. M. Joshi, Indian workers' delegate to the International Labour Conference recently held at Paris, in a statement.

"In my talks with members of Labour Government including Prime Minister Attlee, Sir S. Cripps and Mr. Bevin, after describing the Indian political situation as it existed at the time of my leaving India, I gave them as my view that the whole of India was impatient to get freedom and although there seemed to be little likelihood of agreement being arrived at between the different communities, lack of agreement could not be pleaded as a justification for denying or even delaying the granting of freedom to India".

"I told them" adds Mr. Joshi, "that even the average common man in India has his views on the subject of the Akhand-Hindustan and Pakistan. The Hindus will generally protest if the British Government's award permits India to be divided and majority of Mohammadans will protest if the establishment of Pakistan is not permitted. But if the award of the British Government acting as arbitrators is decisively given and the constitution making work of the constituent Assembly results in the granting of full freedom for India, the average common man in India will accept that full freedom whether it is given to the whole of India as one unit or given to India divided into Hindusthan and Pakistan."

Dr. Nadkarni Exonerated

High Court Criticises Conduct Of Sholapur Sessions Judge

Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Sen and Mr. Justice Gajendragadkar)

Dr. D. V. Nadkarni ..... Applicant (Original Accused)

Versus

Emperor ..... Opponent

The applicant, the Civil Surgeon of Sholapur (now under suspension) was acquitted and exonerated by the High Court of the charge of perjury for which he had been convicted by the Sessions Judge of Poona who had confirmed his conviction by the District Magistrate of Poona but had reduced the sentence to one of three months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 1,000. The applicant had approached the High Court in revision.

"Observing that it was the duty of a judicial officer prosecuting a witness for perjury to be scrupulously fair before lodging the complaint, their Lordships criticised the conduct of the Sessions Judge of Sholapur on whose initiative the proceedings were launched and added that the applicant had been treated unfairly.

The applicant-doctor's chauffeur had been convicted for causing an accident while in a state of drunkenness. On appeal the matter came before the Sessions Judge of Sholapur who found in the case papers a letter by the applicant-doctor to the Police Superintendent stating that his chauffeur "seemed to have got a bit drunk" and if possible no steps should be taken against him. In view of this the Sessions Judge of Sholapur thought it desirable to hear the evidence of the doctor which was material on the question of drunkenness. The doctor stated in evidence that his chauffeur was not drunk. The Sessions Judge then examined some more witnesses and ultimately in dismissing the chauffeur's appeal remarked that the Civil Surgeon had behaved in a way which should be brought to the notice of the Government. The Government having sanctioned his prosecution for perjury the Sessions Judge filed his complaint three months' later.

Characterising the elaborate taking of additional evidence by the Sessions Judge of Sholapur in the chauffeur's appeal as an improper use of the appellate court's powers, their Lordships felt that it was largely directed to finding out whether the Civil Surgeon had given true evidence rather than to the questions at issue in the chauffeur's appeal. Their Lordships found that the charge framed against the doctor was vague and indefinite and set aside the conviction and sentence.

Mr. E .B. Ghasvala with Mr. M. M. Karbhari appeared for the applicant-doctor.

The Assistant Government Pleader, Mr. S. B. Jathar, appeared for the Crown.

Deduction For Legal Expenses Allowed

(Before the Hon. the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Chagla)

The Commissioner of Income-Tax, Bombay

Versus

Sir Purshottamdas Thakordas ..... Assessee.

This was an income-tax reference relating to the assessment of the assessee for the year 1940-41 in which the important question which arose was whether or not the assessee was entitled to a deduction out of his total income in respect of legal expenses incurred by him in defending a suit brought against him.

In November 1935, the assessee was elected a member of the Local Board of the Western Area of the Reserve Bank of India. A suit was then brought against him by P. D. Shamdasani challenging the validity of the election which was dismissed both in the trial court and the appeal court. In defending this suit, the assessee incurred Rs. 7 500 by way of legal expenses which he claimed to deduct from his income for that year.

Section 12 (2) of the Income-Tax Act laid down that "income profits and gains shall be computed after making allowance for any expenditure (not being in the nature of capital expenditure) incurred solely for the purpose of making or earning such income, profits or gains."

Their Lordships held that this was not capital expenditure incurred in creating the source of income or in bringing into being an asset, but in preserving an existing asset by refuting the attack upon his directorship (Atherton v. British Insulated, etc. Ltd.). Their Lordships further held that the legal expenses were incurred "solely" for the purpose of earning the income. Whatever the assessee's personal motive might be in preserving his directorship, so far as the revenue authorities were concerned the directorship only sound in fees and the only purpose in defending the action was to preserve the fees.

Their Lordships therefore held that the assessee was entitled to deduct Rs. 7,500 out of his income.

Mr. M. C. Setalvad instructed by the Solicitor to the Income-Tax Department at Bombay appeared for the Commissioner.

Sir Jamshedji Kanga, Mr. M. M. Jhaveri and Mr. M. R. Mody instructed by Messrs. Captain and Vaidya appeared for the assessee.

Guidance To Voters

Central Assembly Election for the City of Bombay, in the Non-Mohammadan General Constituency will take place on Monday, 26th November, 1945. There are nine polling booths three in 'A' Ward and one each in six other Wards. Government has declared this as a bank holiday and also Tuesday, 27th November which is a day of voting for the Muslim Constituency in the City of Bombay. All others except Muslims and Europeans will vote on 26th and only Muslims on the 27th.

IN 'A' WARD: More than 19 thousand voters are registered in 'A' Ward on their office addresses. But their residences being in other Wards, it will be very difficult for Congress Workers to take them all to their respective polling booths unless they themselves take the initiative in the matter. Therefore they are requested to approach Congress Election Centres in their residential Wards, in good time and ascertain their roll numbers and also the Polling booth assigned to them.

IN 'B' WARD: In 'B' Ward a large number of voters have left their original residences after the devastating explosion last year. They are particularly requested to visit the Congress Election Centre at Daryasthan Lane, Mandvi, for proper guidance.

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HAMARA SCREEN

Khurshid in Ranjit's "Mumtaz Mahal" at the Opera House.

CURRENT FILMS

Krishna: 2nd Week

MAN HIS OWN PILOT

Saigal and Suraiya play the leads in Jayant Desai's latest social, which sets out to prove that a man, if he so wishes it, may shape his own future. The story centers round a child whose "stars", according to astrologers, predict that he will be a curse to his family and bring it shame by being hanged for murder. But his mother trains him up to be an upright young man and under her guidance he grows up to be the family's pride and joy. Mohanlal Dave is the writer of the story.

With Saigal in the main role, there are, naturally enough, many songs in the picture which also contains Salvi, Mubarak and Ziloo.

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Lamington: 2nd Week

IMPRESSIVE COSTUME FILM

Amar Pictures' "Ratnavali" is a chapter from ancient Indian history adapted to the screen by producer Surendra Desai. It contains the music of Govindram who has attempted to blend the music with the flow of the story.

The little role is played by Ratnamala opposite Surendra who seems in great demand for costume roles. He plays both a faithful husband and an amorous Romeo with considerable skill.

K. N. Singh, Usha Mantri, and Maya Bannerji bring up the supporting cast. The Lamington has special lobby decorations for the picture's reception.

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Roxy: 4th Week

STORY OF A HEROINE

From the pen of Ramchandra Thakur, comes Murli Movietone's latest costume drama "Amrapali." The chief character in the film is that of a court dancer of Buddhist times whose burning patriotism helps her to uphold the honour of her people and to fight against their aggressors. Sabita Devi adorns the main role with her beauty. Her lover is played by no less a star than Prem Adib whom I have always deemed a peer among actors.

Arun, Gulab and Jeevan are also to be found in the cast of this ambitious celluloid offering.

Capitol: 10th Week

CHARLIE CARRIES ON

The Capitol still seems to be the venue of Charlie's coterie of fans.

In "Chand Tara", Charlie succeeds admirably in parodying the pompous and allegedly corrupt officialdom of Inidan States. Swarnalata is Charlie's heart interest in this rollicking skit.

Manibhai Vyas directed this picture which contains the songs of Ram Murti and the music of Gyan Dutt.

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Super: 2nd Week

MUSLIM SOCIAL

Noor Jehan heads the cast of Eastern Pictures' "Zeenat."

The film recounts the story of the vicissitudes through which a woman passes as wife, widow and mother. Bravely she takes up the challenge to her honour when she is asked to prove the paternity of her posthumous child.

Yakub, Bibbo, Shah Nawaz and others comprise the cast of this film directed by Shaukat Hussain and containing the music of Mir Saheb.

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Imperial: 2nd Week

RAGINI'S LATEST

Pancholi Productions' favourite star makes her first appearance since "Shirin Farhad" in "Kaise Kahun?"

The star is supported by Najmal, Jagirdar and Durga Mota.

Pandit Amarnath composed lyrics for this picture which was directed by Moti B. Gidwani.

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Central: 5th Week

THE LURE OF "LAKHARANI"

Prabhat's latest picture depicts the struggle of spiritual and physical might and proves the triumph of the former.

A dancing girl belonging to a band of untouchables is wooed and won by a 'godless' Rajkumar. When her people are in trouble she returns to them, pursued by her royal spouse. Now ensues a battle between spiritual and physical force. The gods take human form and help the spirit to achieve victory.

The name role is played by Monica Desai, while Sapru is the Raj Kumar. Durga Khote plays Lakha's mother.

"Lakharani" was directed by V.shram Bedekar.

PROF. P. A. WADIA'S APPEAL

Prof. P. A. Wadia, President of the Freedom Group has issued the following statement:

"I have no doubt where the choice of the voters will lie on Monday. It is gratifying to find that so far as the Parsi community is concerned, an overwhelming majority has rightly treated with well-deserved contempt an ill-advised and mischievous attempt in some quarters to draw Parsi support for the Hindu Mahasabha candidate. With commendable unanimity, the entire Parsi press has unequivocally criticised such meaningless and harmful advocacy.

"This is therefore just to remind the voters, including, of course, the Parsis amongst them, to distribute their votes equally between Dr. G. V. Deshmukh and Shri M. R. Masani, and thus strengthen the cause of the country's freedom. Jai Hind!"

B. P. MOTOR UNIONS' CONGRESS

HUBLI, Nov. 22 (A.P.I.): Mr. M. R. Masani, ex-Mayor, Bombay, will preside over the third annual conference of the Bombay Provincial Motor Union's Congress to be held at Hubli on the 9th December.

Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari will inaugurate it.

SHIAS WILL FIGHT LEAGUE

Mr. Samim Abbas Naqvi, B.A., President of Shia Student's Federation at Allahabad with which body Shia Student's Associations at important places are affiliated has recently been touring and had been for two days at Bombay, specially with a view to studying the situation first hand and has issued the following communication:—

"It was but yesterday and our sympathies were with the League To-day tides have changed having knocked at the doors of the League and kicked off, the call of Shia dignity is to maintain the past glories of the community and to serve its cause wholeheartedly. We are reminded of the critical position of Muslims by our Muslim brethren but has anybody considered the more critical position of Shias? If the League has not the least possible regard for the religious and political rights and feelings of such an important community Shias are bound to stand for the cause, to keep their separate identity and past glories and they will not allow Shias to be coerced as is being done in Bombay.

At the "All Parties Shia Conference" held in October at Lucknow we passed a resolution to negotiate in the first instance for a settlement with the League and then with other political organisations. Mr. Ali Zaheer wrote a letter to Nawabzada Liaqat-ali-Khansaheb to open negotiation with the League. He did not even take the pains of replying to Mr. Ali Zaheer's letter. It appears as if Nawabzada thinks that the Shias are not worth enough to negotiate with. Is this not a direct insult to the entire Shia community I have the latest Muslim University Gazette before me: Here is Nawabzada addressing the mammoth meeting at Karachi. Here is Dr. A. M Siddiq (Principal S. M College) presiding at the meeting explaining to the Muslim public the ideals of the constitution of Pakistan. "We shall bring back the days of Umar I and II in our Islamic state where, to tell you the truth, the non-Muslims may be better off."

Is even this not an eye-opener to our Shia youngmen? I do not want to play on sentiments but I cannot help saying that it is the time for us to get up or else we will remain dormant for ever.

Now when there is not a fair chance of coming to settlement with the League, and if the Shias do not win over the sympathies of other political organisations they are bound to jeopardise the Shia interest. Our duty is to fight out the elections with quite a different view point. We should support every independent Shia candidate, even if the candidate in opposition is another Muslim League Shia candidate. The reason is as evident as anything. In the present conditions to support an independent Shia candidate means a direct support to the cause of Shia community, and not necessarily the support to that particular individual. It is time to fight for and achieve the religious and political rights. If we do not do it now, we will never be able to do it in future. We may have to face the difficulties and calamities in our struggle but we should face them with a pleasant smile on our face."

NOVEL METHOD OF PAYMENT OF BILLS

How Secret Of Atom Bomb Was Kept

The fifth series of stories by Mr. H. W. Blakeslee, of A.P.A. disclosing previously untold stories of the development of the Atomic Bomb, is given below:—

OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE, Nov. 16 (A.P.A.)—The atomic bomb project set a record for quick payment of its bills. The time averaged six months on big jobs against normal periods running up to two years on Government jobs.

But it was agony for a finance officer. The one who paid the bills saw only the top of the voucher. He could not see the items that made the total. He could not check them, could not engage in the sport of catching flaws, for the details contained the secret of the atomic bomb.

The checking was all done, and carefully. The items were scrutinised by an auditing force at Oak Ridge, who knew most but not all, of the atomic financial secrets. Each important bill contained a part that even they could not know.

This has reference to a secret letter. Not of the alphabet, but a written letter. One top accounting officer was allowed to know the contents of secret letters. He did that part of the audit checks. But even this top man was not allowed to know quite all of the secret letters.

When he did not know, the bill was not paid until after the secrecy could be lifted. In this way good accounting was satisfied; and despite this barrier the record was set. It was considered good business to pay promptly, thus helping to keep harmony and thereby promote secrecy.

The secret letter described a single bomb project. The letters were one of many ruses used to keep the bomb secret from getting out in financial gossip.

Insurance companies could not be permitted to rate the risks that they insured. They did not know even what they were insuring, or how great the hazard. They wrote policies under agreements that they would be paid in excess over the insured amount, if there should be an excess.

This plan resulted in very cheap insurance for the entire atomic bomb industrial development. Accidents were so well guarded that they were few. Some of the nation's best medical scientists and doctors set up the safeguards for the unusual hazards, like those from radio-active rays, and the protection of workers appears to have been very good.

NOT HAND BUT VISION PRODUCES GREAT ART

Karl Khandalawala Opens Art Exhibition

BOMBAY, Friday.

Opening Gujarat Kala Mandal's fifth annual exhibition Mr. Karl Khandalawala said, "Everything pertaining to Gujarat is dear to me." Speaking in the same breath the artist said that if Ajanta did not exist it would have been a great tragedy, because you could not have better and greater teachers than these old masters. Thus, he advised the young artists of Gujarat to learn from the great masters of the past. "But", he said, "do not copy them. Distil their principles." Further, speaking about painting and sculpture he asked these artists not to divorce these two arts. They are one, according to Mr. Khandalawala; and they cannot be separated. In this case he pointed out the example of Amrita Shir Gill. Adding to this, he said, "It is not hand but vision will produce a great art." Seriousness in art and varied out look were demanded from the artists.

Speaking of the present exhibition, Mr. Khandalawala said, "it has found its purpose. Groping desire to see is there, and genuine spirit of interpretation and experiment is obvious." But he expressed his opinion with regret that in certain pictures, there is hardly any progress. In the end he asked the artists to combine message with art. It should be said that 'Toilers' (7), 'Village life' (8), 'Lovers' (30), 'At the Grave' (46), and 'Starvation' (47) have fulfilled the last demand of Mr. Khandalawala. 'Consolation' (1) 'Homewards' (3), 'To the grave' (11) 'Phadi Zaras' (13), 'Village Scene' (27) and 'Winter' (37) require special reference. As posters, 'A Landscape (9), 'Lovers' (40), 'Design' (41) are successful.

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"Fight Japs If They Turn Round Against Us": More Prosecution Witnesses Before Court Martial

DELHI, Nov. 23.

Jemadar Iltaf Razak of the Bengal Sappers and Miners, the fourth prosecution witness, gave evidence at the I.N.A. court martial to-day.

In reply to questions by the Advocate-General, Jemadar Razak said that he was taken prisoner at Singapore and was sent to various camps. He was at Fort Dixon Camp for a year. In January or February 1943, Capt. Shah Nawaz Khan came to Fort-Dixon and gave a lecture to all the Indian officer prisoners including himself.

Capt. Shah Nawaz, who was wearing the badge of a Lt.-Col. of the I. N. A., told them that the Indian National Army formed by Captain Mohan Singh had been dissolved and another army was to be raised. Anyone who wanted to volunteer for achieving the freedom of India should give his name to the I.N.A. headquarters at Singapore through their Camp Commandant.

PLIGHT OF INMATES

Referring to conditions in the camp, witness went on, Capt. Shah Nawaz Khan said that the inmates were suffering from malaria and had to sleep on the ground under thatched roofs. Arrangements for providing ration clothing and medicine were not satisfactory. These conditions would continue among the prisoners of war but if they joined the I.N.A., all these troubles would be over. Nobody volunteered to join the I.N.A. on that occasion, said witness.

Witness volunteered to join the I. N. A. on November 17, 1943 because, he said, conditions in the camp were getting from bad to worse and the Japanese had told them that sick prisoners at Chuar camp would be transferred to their camp. These were the only reasons why he volunteered for the I.N.A. 350 men of a Jat regiment also volunteered for the I.N.A. from the same camp.

From Port Dixon witness and others were taken to Singapore. Witness was posted to No. Five Guerilla regiment, which was under training at Bidadari. After being moved to a few other places, the regiment reached Mingaledon in January 1945. The commander of the regiment at this time was Captain P. K. Sahgal, who was wearing the badges of Lt.-Col. of the I.N.A. Witness was then a lieutenant in the I.N.A. Capt. Sahgal, said witness, called a conference of all officers under him at Mangaladon and told them that the regiment was about to be moved to Popa Hill and he wanted perfect discipline among his men. There were three battalions in the regiment, each consisting of about 650 men. The majority of them had Mark Three rifles. They also had three-inch mortars.

TRICOLOUR AT SALUTE BASE

Before his regiment moved to Popa, witness deposed, Subhas Chandra Bose inspected it. At the saluting base the Tricolour Flag was flying. Subhas Chandra Bose said, "you will put up a good show just as the I.N.A. did last year. Last year there were instances of desertion. This should not happen this time. Whoever does not think himself fit to go to the front-line can stay back."

The regiment moved from Mingaladon in the third week of January 1945 and witness with four others reached Popa on February 2, 1945. Capt. Sahgal reached Popa on February 15, 1945 and enquired of witness about Major Dhillon, who had reached Popa the previous day.

Three hundred men belonging to the Nehru Regiment (Fourth Guerilla Regiment) arrived at Popa in small parties. Major Dhillon was commander of the Nehru Regiment. The men of this regiment were in a bad way, some of them being without bedding and some without rifles.

On February 25, 1945, Lt.-Col. Sangal called a conference of all officers of witness' regiment and staff officers of regimental headquarters and said that he was ashamed to see no four Guerilla regiment in such a condition. He did not want such conditions in his regiment. Lt.-Col. Sahgal added that anyone suspected of desertion would be sent to regimental headquarters.

ORDERS TO SHOOT DESERTERS

On March 1, 1945, Lt.-Col. Sahgal called another conference, which was attended by all officers of No. Two Division. Major Dhillon was among those present. Lt.-Col. Sahgal told the Conference that five officers of No. Two divisional headquarters who had gone on night reconnaissance in the No. One battalion area had deserted with their orderlies and that he had sent a patrol to capture them. Lt.-Col. Sahgal authorised all officers and men under him, regardless of rank, to shoot anyone who was seen deserting in future.

On March 10, 1945, witness said, about 70 or 72 Japanese anti-tank mines arrived. Capt. Sahgal asked him to ask the Japanese for instructions about their use. He received instructions and passed on the same to a sapper havildar of No. One battalion and gave him 16 anti-tank mines.

There was another conference called by Capt. Sahgal on March 20 at which he said either we will attack or we will be attacked by the Allies he said. "If we are attacked by the enemy" the accused said "and if there is any penetration on one battalion front, the other two battalions will stand fast."

The reason he gave the conference for that was that if they left Popa area, there would be no water for 15 or 20 miles. Then he gave orders to Capt. Banta Singh commanding No. Two battalion to move to Kyaukpadaung. Capt. Sahgal also left with Number Two battalion. Witness with four other men then escaped. They joined the British at Nyannago area. They traversed about 30 to 35 miles from Popa to reach their destination. The nearest British troops to Popa were at Pyinbin area which was approximately 15 to 20 miles away.

Cross-examined by Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, witness said that before he arrived in Port Dixon he was in the custody of the Japanese. The bad conditions of living he had described earlier were due to the Japanese. It was in January or February he saw Capt. Shah Nawaz Khan for the first time when he came to Port Dixon camp to collect volunteers.

Mr. Desai: You are quite clear that he left everyone free choice to join or not to join the I.N.A.

NO COERCION TO JOIN I.N.A.

Witness: Yes, I am quite clear, Capt. Shah Nawaz left it open to everybody to join the I.N.A. or not.

Mr. Desai: In whose custody were you before you came to Port Dixon camp?

Witness: The Japanese.

Mr. Desai: The bad conditions you described were due to the Japanese?

Witness: Yes.

Q. Why did Capt. Shah Nawaz Khan come to the camp?

A. To collect volunteers.

Q. You are quite clear that he left everyone free choice to join or not to join the I.N.A.

A. Yes. I am quite clear he left it open to everybody to join the I.N.A. or not as they chose.

Q. Is it true that among other things, Capt. Shah Nawaz said that he wanted true men who would fight even against the Japanese for the independence of India?

A. I remember clearly he did mention true men but I don't remember whether he mentioned the Japanese. He wanted staunch men who would lay down their lives for the freedom of India.

Q. Eight months after this lecture, you elected to join the I.N.A.?

A. Yes.

Q. You joined for your own reasons.

A. I heard that a majority of the people in the camp had decided that they would prefer to die for the liberation of India rather than remain in such condition.

Witness knew that Captain Rab Nawaz, Camp Commandant at Port Dixon, did not volunteer to join the I.N.A. nor did Capt. Karamchand Byas.

After the second conference at Popa Headquarters held on March 1, 1945, there were desertions and a number of arrests were made, within the next two weeks, but after investigation, all were released except Captain Bedi.

Mr. Desai put a number of questions asking whether witness had any means of testing his statement that Shah Nawaz commanded the division for a week. Witness said he was certain that Shah Nawaz did not command the division for more than a week.

Mr. Desai asked if witness knew that Shah Nawaz came on February 23, left on February 24 and then came back on March 12.

Witness: I cannot say. I cannot remember the exact date when Shah Nawaz went and came back.

BOSE'S SPEECH & AFTER

Court put a question about what happened after Bose's speech at Mingaladon in which he said those who did not want to go to the front could stay behind. "Did anyone stay behind?" asked the court.

Witness: "Bose inspected the regiment and asked if anybody wished to stay behind. Nobody stayed behind."

NAIK SANTOK'S EVIDENCE

Naik Santok Singh of the Indian Signal Corps, the next witness said he was taken prisoner of war by the Japanese on January 31, 1942, near Johore Baru. He joined the I.N.A. in September 1942 and was posted to No. One Signal Company of the Hind Field Force Group of the I.N.A. Sahgal, who was major, was adjutant of this force. In January 1943, Sahgal collected all the men of the Signal Company and told them that the new I.N.A. which was going to be formed would be India's National Army and that every Indian should join it. Sahgal said his suggestions was that they should join the I.N.A., but he brought no pressure to bear on anyone to join the I.N.A. After that he left.

Witness did not volunteer to join the I.N.A. on that occasion. Thereafter he was sent to Selatar Camp, then to New Guinea by the Japanese. Selatar camp was a non-volunteer camp. There were men there who had resigned from the first I.N.A. Shah Nawaz came to the camp in April 1943. All men in it were collected and Shah Nawaz gave them a lecture. He said it was the duty of every Indian to join the I.N.A. for the freedom of India. He gave an example and said that when Guru Govind Singh founded the Sikh religion, only five volunteers came forward. "Now," said Shah Nawaz, "I need men as brave as those five that Guru Gobind Singh asked for. They should volunteer without hesitation and should stand under the Indian National Flag.

GOOD TREATMENT IN CAMP

Witness said no one volunteered at that time. A few days later, a few men did volunteer to join the I.N.A.

Cross-examined by Mr. Desai witness said that Selatar Camp was divided into two parts, D One in which he was and D two in which there was a hospital. Anyone who fell ill in D One could be taken to the hospital in D Two, the camp in which he was living was well run. He could not say about other camp.

"My camp was named the separation camp. The food was good and the treatment was also good."

"NOBODY VOLUNTEERED"

Lance Naik Gangaram the next witness deposed that his battalion fought against the Japanese in the battle of Slim river. After the fall of Singapore he was taken to Ipoh and from there removed to P.O.W. camp in Port Swetenham. Either in April or early in May 1943 Capt. Shah Nawaz Khan visited the camp and delivered a lecture. Witness was present at the lecture during which Capt. Shah Nawaz said: "We are all Indians and we must endeavour to set India free. The English people who are there now in India should be driven out. You will get a chance very early and you will be sent to the front from Singapore. The money you will get now you will consider as pocket money and you will get your pay when India is free. Good ration and clothing will also be given to you. Those who volunteer should give their names to the Camp Commandant who will forward it to Singapore." Nobody volunteered.

Answering Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, witness said he did not know if the Camp Commandant Capt. Shopra joined the I.N.A.

"OLDEST & GOOD RELIGION"

Subedar Asalnoor Khan who joined the Indian Army in 1913 deposed that after the fall of Singapore he was taken to Neesoon camp. He saw Lt. Dhillon in that camp. In February or March, 1942 Lt. Dhillon delivered a lecture to the POW in which he said that "the leader of the Japanese Religion Buddha was born in India. The Japanese religion was the oldest religion in the world and a good religion and as its leader comes from India we should all co-operate with them."

Witness joined the I.N.A. in April 1942. He met Capt. Sehgal for the first time in August 1942 in Bidadari camp. He was ordered to take two men from the camp and Capt. Sehgal who was commander of one unit in the camp gave orders to the N.C.O.s to hand over the two men. The men were wanted by Col. Gillani for a party to be sent to Penang for secret service training. The training failed and the party which included the witness returned to Singapore and were kept in the Neesoon camp. He again saw Capt Sehgal who was a major in the I N A and was working as military secretary. He met Capt. Sehgal in all thrice. Once he inquired of witness about Col. Gillani's party and the second time when Subhas Chandra Bose returned from Tokyo he was called to meet him through Capt. Sehgal. Witness had a talk with Subhas Chandra Bose about Col. Gillani's party and fully discussed the size and other questions about the party and decided who was to remain and who was to be taken out. Bose also referred the witness to Capt. Sehgal to decide the final details.

SECRET SERVICE PROPAGANDA

Sir N. P. Engineer: What about your own movements? Witness: With 20 men from Col. Gillani's party early in 1944 I left Ukye for Penang. In Penang, the Japanese gave us final training about secret service propaganda, sabotage and wireless transmission. On February 27, 1944 they sent us to India in a submarine. We were about 12. After we were in the submarine for 17 days the Japanese tried to land us. That night our landing failed and we were forced to remain in the submarine for another week.

Judge Advocate: Never mind about the submarine. When did you arrive in India?

Witness: At the end of March we landed in India. Four miles from the shore, there was an official of Kalat State to whom we reported. And I reported myself to the British authorities.

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai: Lt. Dhillon said that because Buddha was born in India you must co-operate with the Japanese?

Witness: Yes.

Q. The object was to regain freedom of India?

A. He said that Buddha was born in India and we should join hands with the Japanese to free India from the people who are holding it now.

Asked by the court, witness said that he held the rank of a Lieutenant in the I.N.A.

Havildar Sach Singh of the 7/8 Punjab Regiment the next prosecution witness deposed that he was taken to Jitra after the fall of Singapore. Lt. Dhillon went to Jitra when witness A was there. Dhillon was wearing the badges of a major in the I.N.A. and he was accompanied by Major Dhara. Witness did not know what post Major Dhara was holding but he delivered a lecture there. Major Dhara said that the I.N.A. had already been started at Singapore and a good many people had joined it and that the I.N.A would only fight for the freedom of India and for no other cause.

"GOLDEN CHANCE"

"If we go to India and the Japanse go with us", said Major Dhara, "we are equipped with arms and will fight the Japanese if they turn round against us. This a golden chance for us and we may not get such a chance again."

After Major Dhara, Major Dhillon spoke. He said that they should have no doubts about what Major Dhara had said. The I.N.A. would be made to fight only for the freedom of India and for nothing else.

Witness joined the I.N.A. a month later. He joined the I.N.A. because as a prisoner of war he was not getting good accommodation or good food and because many others were coming in the I.N.A.

After he had joined the I.N.A., witness was taken to Singapore and attached to the Nehru Regiment as Platoon Havildar. He was made a sub-officer of 'C' company of No. One battalion. His company moved from Malaya at the end of February 1944 to Rangoon, thence to Mandalay and from Manadlay to Myingyan. He was at Myingyan from March 10, 1944 to January 1945. The regimental commander at Myingyan was Major Mahboob, from whom Major Dhillon took over about the end of 1944.

SURRENDER IN IRRAWADDY VALLEY

Witness was at that time commanding No. Four Platoon of 'B' Company. He moved with his unit in the second week of February to Nyaungu where they were posted to a defence position on the Irrawaddy river. There was no fighting here. On February 14 1945 Allied troops opened heavy mortar and gun fire on their right flank and Lt Hari Ram hoisted the white flag and 84 men including witness surrendered.

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, cross-examining witness asked:

Q: You joined the I.N.A. for fighting for the freedom of India. Is it not?

A: I was in great trouble and in order to escape that trouble I joined the I.N.A.

Q: What were you going to fight for, trouble or no trouble?

Witness replied that he never fought.

Q: I asked what you were going to fight for.

A: I have already stated my intions for joining the I.N.A., i.e. to escape the troubles I had.

Q: Did you accept from Major Dhara and Lt. Dhillon the object for which you were asked to join the I. N. A.

A: I joined the I.N.A. not on the lecture but a month after the lecture.

Q: I asked whether you accepted what Major Dhara and Lt. Dhillon said in the lecture. I did not ask you when you joined the I.N.A.

A: I accepted what Major Dhara said as correct.

Q: As the object for joining the I.N.A.?

A: Yes.

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai showed witness a summary of evidence taken before the trial began and asked whether witness remembered his answer to question 57. This question asked witness whether he remembered Lt. Dhillon as saying "those who joined the I.N.A. must have the courage to fight against the Japanese or any other nation which comes in the way of achieving the full inuependence of India."

A: I remember I answered "yes" to the question.

WHY HE JOINED I.N.A.

Answering another question witness said that if they did not join the I. N. A., they were afraid they would be put to fatigues by the Japanese and would be given bad food. As a good many people joined the I.N.A. he also joined it.

Q: Did you join the I.N.A. well knowing that the I.N.A. was going to fight for the freedom of India against any nation that was in the way, including the Japanese?

A: Yes I did.

Earlier during the cross-examination, witness said that one Captain Jaya Singh and a lance naik of the Japanese commanded the Jitra Camp. When he was in the camp Captain Rab Nawaz was commandant, but witness did not see him.

Re-examination was declined.

Sepoy Kaka Singh, of the 6/1 Punjab Regiment the next witness said that he was in Neesoon Camp in Singapore when it fell. He was kept in different P.O.W. camps. When he was in helping camp in March, 1943, Lt. Dhillon came there and de-

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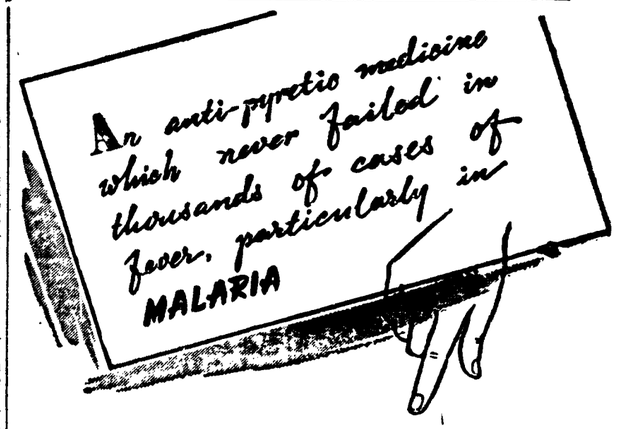

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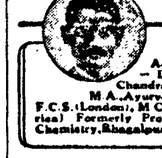

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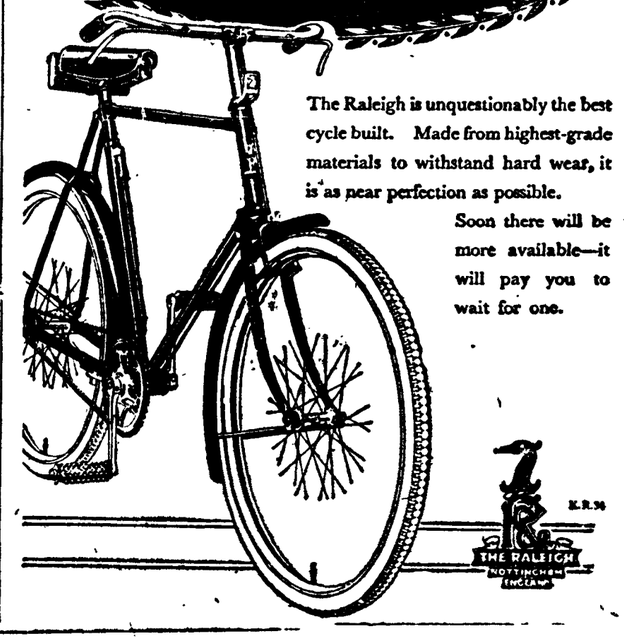

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CALCUTTA, Nov. 23 (A.P.I.): The start of the game on the third and last day of the three-day fixture between the Australian Services cricket side and the East Zone this morning was delayed by nearly fifty minutes. A telephone message from Mr Sarat Chandra Bose, a prominent Congress leader on behalf of the I.N.A. Relief Committee, was received by the Cricket Association of Bengal that the students were demanding observance of silence before the game commenced as a mark of respect to those dead and injured in the recent disturbances in the city otherwise a large crowd would march on to the ground. The Committee got into communication with the Governor of Bengal, and, after 45 minutes, Mr. A. A. Leslie, Acting President of the Cricket Association of Bengal, made the following announcement:

"Demonstrators have approached Col. C. K. Nayudu to observe a minute's silence as a mark of respect to those killed and injured in the recent disturbances in the city and he had agreed. He has also persuaded Hassett, the Australian Captain, to agree as there was no political significance attached to this gesture and Hassett had readily consented. Accordingly one minute's silence will be obsedved before the play commenced."

All players led by officials and members of the Bengal Cricket Association stood bareheaded on the ground for one minute and the game commenced 50 minutes after the scheduled time.

'C. K.' OUT FOR 11

C. K. Nayudu joined Compton, who continued to score freely and 150 were registered after the innings had lasted 116 minutes, (Compton then 55 and C. K. Nayudu two). At 157, Christofani took over from Williams who had conceded 11 runs in six overs, of which three were maidens for one wicket this morning.

Both the batsmen were frequently beaten by the ball turning sharply, but Compton was more enterprising. Nayudu got a lucky four through the slips off Pepper, but a little later a brilliant piece of stumping on the part of Bremner sent back the East Zone Captain for 11. (170—5—11).

C. S. Nayudu and Denis Compton were together with the score at 186, their respective scores being two and 84 when a large procession shouting "Inquilab Zindabad" broken on to the ground and invaded the field, preventing further play. There were ten minutes left for lunch, and the players retired to the pavilion at this stage.

The processionists, after being informed about the observance of a minute's silence, before the game commenced to-day, eventually left the ground and the game was resumed after lunch.

Pepper opened the bowling, but C. S. Nayudu drove him twice to the boundary with powerful strokes in front of the wicket. Compton, with a single off Cristofani, sent up 200 after the innings had lasted 168 minutes, Compton's score then being 87 and Nayudu's thirteen. At 206 Roper displaced Pepper, and Nayudu collected another four with a straight drive. The new ball was taken at 201 and C. S. Nayudu got another four with a straight drive off Williams, who was operating from the other end.

COMPTON'S CENTURY

Compton hooked Roper to the leg-boundary with a flashing hook and with a single off Christofani completed his century in a stay of 152 minutes with 15 fours as his principal strokes, in a total of 238. Then with the first ball of his third over Roper bowled Compton for 101, made in 156 minutes in a total of 233.

Nimbalkar joined C. S. Nayudu who was next to be bowled by Roper for 33, made in a stay of 42 minutes, with five fours to his credit. (238—7—33).

Nimbalkar who was joined by Phansalkar executed a number of powerful strokes in front of the wicket, scoring mostly in fours. At 247 Pepper took over from Roper, but Nimbalkar twice drove him through the covers for fours. At 255 Christofani displaced William and succeeded in sending back Phansalkar caught at silly mid-on for one. (255—8—1). With Parthasarathy as partner Nimbalkar started hitting out, and as the score crept up every run made by the East Zone batsmen was lustily cheered.

NIMBALKAR IS NIMBLE!

Amidst tense excitement Nimbalkar drove Pepper to the on-boundary with only 13 runs left for a win. Then facing Christofani, Nimbalkar scored three successive fours with powerful cover drives and a square-cut to level up the scores.

Parthasarathy then facing Pepper pulled the fourth ball to the leg-boundary, and the East Zone won the match by two wickets. Nimbalkar had batted only half an hour for his 33, which included no less than seven fours.

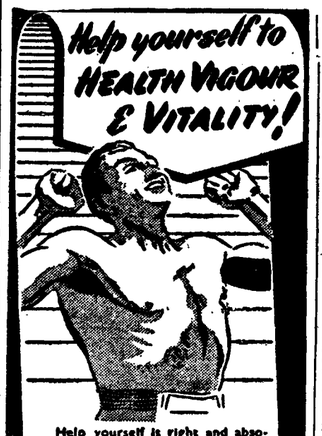
EAST ZONE (Second Innings)

S Banerjee c Whittington b Williams	6
C T Sarwate l.b.w. Christofani	13
Mushtaq Ali b Williams	58
Denis Compton b Roper	101
N Chatterjee l.b.w. Pepper	1
C K Nayudu st Bremner b Pepper	11
C S Nayudu b Roper	33
B B Nimbalkar (not out)	33
J P Phansalkar c Hassett b Christofani	1
Parthasarathy (not out)	8
Extras	19
Total (for 8 wkts.)	284

Fall of wickets: 1 for 15; 2 for 46; 3 for 127; 4 for 148; 5 for 170; 6 for 233; 7 for 238; 8 for 255.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A W Roper	12	1	51	2
E A Williams	20	7	55	2
D R Christofani	20	2	65	2
C F T Price	4	0	16	0
C G Pepper	18.5	2	78	2



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(From Our Correspondent)

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L. S. G. D. Exam. Results

The following students have passed the L.S.G.D. Examination in the month of Sept., 1945 (In order of Merits): S. Hari Shanker (distinction), Manohar G. Gupte (distinction), Nathulal Upadhyaya (distinction), Mangoolal Mehta, Yeshwant Pradhan, G. B. Somani, Shamrao Vaidya, Ram Swarup Bhargav, Jayantilal Dave, J. P. Misra, Dhansukrai Mehta, Dhirajlal Mehta, Damodar Anandjiwala, P. N. Zutshi, Dinanath Trivedi, Madhavrao Nemblekar M. J. Zinjarde, Jayram Bhatt, Shivlal Shah, Jeetmal Vyas, Dwarkanath Kulkarni, Esoof Rampurawala, Bhagubhai Joshi, Chinubhai Shah, Manubhai Parikh, Dinkerrai Bhatt.

'I.N.A. TO FIGHT ONLY FOR INDIA'S FREEDOM'

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livered a lecture to the P.O.W.'s. These men had not joined the I.N.A. at that time. Dhillon said that he had come there for the reason that the I.N.A. had been started that he had already given a lecture in Singapore and Jitra, that the men in those camps had joined the I.N.A. and that the men at Taiping camp should also join it. If they did not join the I.N.A. they would not get into trouble.

The English would be driven out of India. "We should not fear anything, as whatever befalls, it falls upon the officers. We people would not be put to trouble if the I.N.A. failed."

For 15 days after the lecture, they were doing different duties in Taiping. After that they were taken to Singapore. Witness joined the I.N.A. in Singapore.

UNDER JAP COMMAND

In the cross-examination by Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, counsel for defence, witness said that the Taiping camp was under the command of a Japanese officer, Lt. Dhillon told them that the I.N.A. was being formed to fight for the freedom of India. Witness knew that when he joined the I.N.A., he had to work as one of its members, meaning fighting for the freedom of India.

Lt. Dhillon witness continued, said that if they did not join the I. N. A. they would remain under the command of the Japanese commanders. He was told by Lt. Dhillon that if he did not join the I.N.A., he would get into trouble, but he did not understand what the trouble was.

There was no re-examination.

Jemadar Mohd Nawaz 5/2 Punjab Regiment was next sworn in.

At this point counsel for defence Mr. Desai submitted: "The court was pleased to rule that evidence of harassment or torture would be admitted. But the period during which such acts took place was, as far as I recollect, not specified in the ruling. Having read this present witness's summary of evidence, I find that the allegation of torture belongs to the period of the existence of the first I.N.A., which was dissolved on Capt. Mohan Singh's arrest, and it has no reference, direct or indirect, to any of the accused."

"RELEVANT"

Sir Nowshirwan Engineer Advocate General: It is correct that the evidence which this witness is going to depose to, refers to incidents before December 1942 but I admit that it is relevant all the same."

After retiring to consider the submission, the court announced that it had decided to admit evidence of atrocities and hardships from May 1, 1942.

The court adjourned till Saturday.

KUOMINTANG TROOPS CAPTURE HINGCHENG

Szechwan Province Selected For Experiment On Self-Govt.

CHUNGKING, Nov. 22. (Reuter): Chinese Central Government troops advancing northwards into Manchuria against Communist resistance have captured Hingcheng on the Peking—Mukden railway and are approaching Lienshan, it was reported today.

EXPERIMENTAL PROVINCE

The Chinese province of Szechwan which throughout the past centuries has ranked as one of the "key" economic provinces of China has been selected by the executive Yunan as China's experimental province for "practical application of self-Government", cables Reuter's correspondent.

The Szechwan provincial Government has already received instructions for its various departments to submit without delay annual budgets, and programmes of activities for the fiscal year.

In the middle ages, when China was in the grip of civil strife it used to be said that victory lay with the army which held Szechwan.

27 BRITISH ARMY MEN KILLED IN AIR CRASH

LONDON, Nov. 22. (Reuter).

Twentyseven people were killed today when an India-bound Liberator crashed on Blackdown Hill on the border of the countries Somerset and Devon.

The plane apparently did not attain sufficient height to clear the hillside and struck a tree. It then caught fire and was burnt out.

Part of the engine fell in the road blocking traffic. A crew of five and 22 passengers—all British Army personnel, mostly returning to India from leave—were all killed.

FORNTIER GOVERNOR ACCEPTS MINISTER'S RESIGNATION

PESHAWAR, Nov. 22 (A.P.I.): The following press communique has been issued from the office of the Secretary to the Governor, N.W.F.P.:—

"The Hon'ble Khan Mohammed Abbas Khan, Minister for Industries, has tendered his resignation from the Council of Ministers and has asked to be relieved of his duties.

"His Excellency the Governor has pleased to accept his resignation. In consultation with the Hon'ble Chief Minister His Excellency the Governor, N.W.F.P., has decided that the portfolios held by Khan Muhammed Abbas Khan will be distributed amongst the remaining members of the Council of Ministers."

TRICUMDAS ON "MARCH OF FREEDOM"

"Prepare For Final Assault Which Will Come In Near Future"

"We must now prepare for the final assault which will come in the near future and if this time we are not prepared properly God help this country," thus observed Mr. Purshotamdas Tricumdas delivering a lecture on the "March Of Freedom" held under the auspices of the Progressive Group at Green's on Friday evening.

The preparation for the achievement of the country's freedom this time should be such that the spectacle of the British arresting the soldiers of the national freedom movement would not be allowed to be repeated, said Mr. Tricumdas.

"It is more than manifest that people want their freedom and those who are not with us are against us", he continued.

He denounced the patronising attitude of Indian capitalists whom he described as people who were playing fast and loose between the British Government and the Congress. "They threw us a few lakhs as if we were mercenaries for us to go to jail and derived the utmost benefit from it," said Mr. Tricumdas, "but they can't run with the hare and hunt with the hound," he added.

BIHAR'S EXAMPLE

He gave the example of Bihar where during the 1942 movement three quarters of the province had thrown off the British yoke. If this had happened in all other areas in India the country would have been free, he said.

Now, however there was an unmistakable indication that the Indian Defence Forces, the police and high Government officers also did not want the British, he observed. The Indian forces had realised that they had been badly duped. The British too realised equally that this army would be a menace to them.

The British repressive machine had already started working as was evident from what happened in Calcutta on Thursday, stated Mr. Tricumdas. "If we understand British policy correctly we must be as determined as the Javanese and the Indonesians to fight Britain once for all in the next two or three years", he said, "as otherwise they would get a longer lease of life."

PLAYING FOR TIME

Adverting to the ensuing elections and British promises he was of the opinion that the British were only playing for time. Theirs was a deep diplomatic game. As soon as the elections were over they would make sure that the promised Constitution making body would not come into existence through the schismatic policies of "stooges like Mr. Jinnah and Dr. Ambedkar". British policies were short term ones and they wanted time to tide over the crucial next ten years during which they wanted to switch on to a peace economy and rehabilitate their strength, he continued.

Concluding, he said that it was no use relying on the alluring promises of the British and the only way to reach the goal of independence was to prepare for the final blow right-away.

Curfew Imposed In Rangoon

RANGOON, Nov. 22. (A.P.I.): The District Magistrate to-day issued a curfew order forbidding the people to be out of doors between 10-30 p.m. and 4-30 a.m. without a written permission of the Police Commissioner. The order is not applicable to the personnel of the British and Allied armed forces or to Government servants or officers and employers of the civil affairs service of Burma when on duty. The maximum sentence of six months' imprisonment is provided for contravention of the order.

HOOSEINBHOY LALLJEE'S OPEN LETTER

To

His Excellency the Governor of Bombay,
His Worship the Mayor of Bombay, and
My Fellow Citizens of the City of Bombay.

Dear Sirs,

On the front page of the "Muslim Times" dated 22-11-45 a Gujarati daily of recent origin and a staunch Muslim League paper, there has appeared a notice that a public meeting of the Muslims will be held on 24th instant at 8-30 p.m. at Umer Gallery, adjoining Hooseinbhoy Lalljee Bungalow Warden Road (which is a small terrace opposite the European swimming bath).

You are aware that in this locality there are hardly a few well to do Muslim families residing, and it is strictly a residential area where a large number of European, Parsi and Hindu families reside. It is far away from city Muslim localities and people from the city will find great difficulty in coming to this locality and getting back late at night. There has never been an instance in the annals of Bombay when a public meeting was held at such a place and arrangements were made to bring about 5,000 men there.

Government officials and public are aware that disturbances have been prevalent at the public meetings held by the Muslims during last few days.

The main objective of holding this meeting at such a place and next door to my bungalow is consistent with the provocative, threatening and coercive policy adopted by League workers and newspapers which support the Muslim League candidature of Mr. M. A. Jinnah as against myself, and specially for marking out myself, my family and my friends as objectives for attack by masses who would be brought there from afar.

There is also another reason and that is to mark out prominent Shia Muslims and particularly my residence and my people to such persons who may be fanatically against the doctrines of Shia Muslim faith and thus cause not only harm to me but also create bitterness between the two great sects of Islam. This is all because I have dared to stand as a candidate and because I have been elected leader of the Shia Muslims of all Parties, representing three crores of Shias who are asking for the protection and safeguards for the tenets of their faith and their legitimate rights as an important minority community.

I have been receiving telephones as well as letters every day in most filthy language at my residence and my office as also conveying warning and threatening me, my people and my friends and members of my community with assault, etc. I am a resident of Bombay and I naturally love my city and my people whom I have had also an opportunity to serve for over 25 years as a municipal councillor, I know that the overwhelming majority of the people of this our city hate lawlessness and mean conduct and it is for this reason that I am writing this open letter and I leave it to His Excellency the Governor, His Worship the Mayor and the citizens of Bombay to take whatever steps they consider best for the preservation of peace and order and avoidance of unnecessary disturbances and troubles, the safety of my family and myself is in God's hands.

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U. P. SCHEDULED CLASS RURAL CONSTITUENCIES

BOMBAY, Nov. 22 (A.P.I.): Congress has won six out of the 16 seats in the Scheduled Class Rural Constituencies without a contest according to the communication received from the Secretary of the Central Election Board, Indian National Congress.

Nominations for primary elections to the Scheduled Class Rural Constituencies in the United Provinces are over. It is ascertained that out of 16 constituencies Congress candidates have been returned unopposed in six constituencies. In nine more constituencies there will be no primary election; the primary election will take place only in one constituency, namely, Almora.

The following is the list of constituencies in which the Congress candidates have been returned unopposed.

(1) SAHARANPUR: Girdhari Lal, M.A.
(2) BULANDSHAHR: Bhimsen.
(3) MIRZAPUR: Viswa Nath.
(4) AZAMGARH: Gajdhar Prasad
(5) GORAKHPUR: Puran Nazi.
(6) BARA BANKI: Chet Ram.

The following is the list of constituencies in which the undermentioned Congress candidates have been duly nominated and there will be no primary election.

(1) AGRA: Gangadhar Jatab and Kalyan Singh.
(2) BADAUN: Lakhandas.
(3) JALAUN: Lotan Ran.
(4) SITAPUR: Piraji Lal.
(5) BASTI: Ramlal and Udaibir Singh.
(6) RAE BARELLI: Badoo Ram Sonker; Bhagat Dayal Das and Chamanand.
(7) GONDA: Gonga Prasad.
(8) MAINPURI: Mijazilal.
(9) FYZEDABAD: Jaipal Singh, B.A.

I. L. P. TO CONTEST ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Independent Labour Party was held in Bombay under the presidentship of Mr. M. V. Donde, President, Independent Labour Party, to consider the Election Programme of the Party in connection with the forthcoming provincial elections.

It was decided to call for applications from persons wishing to contest the elections on the Independent Labour Party ticket.

In connection with the forthcoming Central Assembly Elections, it was decided to support Mr. B. D. Jagtap, the Independent candidate from the Southern Division.

DASTUR DHALLA ON ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS

From B. F. Bharucha.

The undersigned had sent the following wire to Dastur Dhalla, Karachi.

"For whom should Parsis vote for Central Assembly Election? For two tried Congress candidates like Dr. Deshmukh and Mindo Masani? Or vote for unified Hindu Sabha candidate? Please wire opinion for publication".

Reply:—"Communalism is India's enemy number one Mahasabha is communal. Let Parsis be national and vote for Deshmukh and Masani" —Dastur Dhalla.

Savarkar's Appeal To Vote For Bhopatkar

BOMBAY, Nov. 22 (API.)

A appeal to Hindus in Maharashtra to vote solidly for Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar, a Hindu Mahasabha candidate to the Central Legislature from the Central Division is contained in a statement issued by Mr. V. D. Savarkar.

Mr. Savarkar asks the electorate not to depend upon the Congress promises, because he says Congress promises in the election days had been almost always proved meracious. Instead he advises them to vote for Hindu Mahasabha candidate who will sure to stand by Hindu interests and defend them in the Legislatures."

Karachi Parsis' Support Masani And Deshmukh

KARACHI, Nov. 22. (A.P.I.): The Parsi Rajkiya Mandal at its meeting today resolved to support the Congress candidates who were standing from Bombay for Central Legislative Assembly Dr. Deshmukh and Mr. Masani.

Mr. R. K. Sidhwa, who is President of the organisation in a statement says that the Parsis would not lose the opportunity of retaining the tried nationalists as their representatives who have been set up by the Congress.

Gujarat Nationalist Muslims To Confer

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Nov 22

It has been decided to hold a conference of Nationalist Muslims of Gujarat on December 8 and 9 at Ahmedabad. Invitations have been extended to Janab Zahiruddin, President of All-India Momin Jamat to preside over the conference and Maulana Nuruddin Bihari to perform the opening ceremony. Brisk preparations are going on and different committees are set up.

Civic Budget Criticism

WHY FURTHER INCREASE IN GENERAL TAX?

Property Owners Will Be Hard Hit By New Proposals

Criticising the budget estimates in the Standing Committee as presented on Friday by the Municipal Commissioner, Mr. I. S. Patel, said:—

As regards Schools Committee's expenditure which is rising by leaps and bounds, each Commissioner in succession and the Standing Committee are drawing its attention for its waste but the Schools Committee has not paid the least heed. Now the red signal should be shown to the Committee. It is incurring expenditure on subjects which are not under its scope. It is against the legal opinion which is accepted by the Corporation under its resolution No. 641 of 7th October, 1943. It is all 'ultra vires.'

There are good features in the budget, namely, a provision of Rs. 40,000 for construction of public conveniences, Rs. 50 000 for foot-paths, Rs. 20,000 for construction of narrow by-lanes, Rs. 70.000 for filling in low-levels, Rs. 20.000 for widening of the bottle-neck at Dharavi Road, Rs. 2 lakhs for Sewerage Scheme of Dharavi, Rs. 3 lakhs for construction of 200 rooms, and lump provision of Rs. 15 lakhs for Housing accommodation for poorer classes.

UNFAIR TO RATE PAYERS

Khan Bahadur Mahomedally Allabux opposed the proposed 2 per cent. addition on General Tax and said:

Since the last year much has been said about the oft repeated slogan of "Post War Scheme." For the current year we have set apart Rs. 53 lacs from General Revenue for this slogan and to do that we have to increase the General tax by 1 per cent. Now for the next year also our Commissioner proposes to set apart Rs. 32 lacs for the same slogan and to do so he recommends increase of General tax by 2 per cent. This I certainly regard as something unusual and am not in favour of it. I want more forceful reasons, before I can vote for an increase in General Tax. In 1922-23 we increased the General Tax to 11 per cent and continued the same rate till last year except for the years 1934-35 and 1935-36 when it was 12 per cent upon the amalgamation of Trust with the Municipality. Now we would not be fair to our ratepayers by at once increasing the rate by as much as 3 per cent within two years. We should therefore try to restrict our expenditure within the Income to be realised at the present rates.

I am personally not in favour of increasing the General tax because it will hard hit the property owners who will have now to incur heavy expenditure on repairs, etc., of their properties which could not be done for the war period on account of the non-availability of materials. This is one of the class of Businessmen who have rendered real social service to the citizens and who have not made war profits as severe restrictions were imposed by Government immediately upon the beginning of the war. I support the Commissioner's proposals to explore other means of revenue and suggest that the Standing Committee as the financial committee should take up the matter at the earliest opportunity. About expenditure on services under the Commissioner I have little criticism to offer.

CITY OVERTAXED

Mr. D. V. Pradhan also opposed the proposed increase in the General Tax and said: It has been admitted that the City is over taxed and any proposal for increase in taxation is viewed with alarm. Only last year General Tax was raised from 11 to 12 per cent. and the Commissioner's proposal to further increase it to 14 per cent. has created a stir not only in the minds of the Standing Committee but also in the minds of tenants. The fear of tenants cannot be said to be misplaced as any increase in General Tax would indirectly fall on the tenants and in the present economic conditions and with the fear of unemployment in the near future increase in rents would not be looked upon with happy feelings. At the same time we cannot avoid increase in General Tax if it is needed for the improvement in the services which the Municipality is rendering. But I do not find any substantial improvements visualised in the Budget in the matter of increased amenities to the citizens.

PRESS BLACKS OUT RED NEWS

TWO CANDIDATES TO FIGHT ELECTION FROM CHITTAGONG

P. C. Joshi, General Secretary of the Communist Party of India has issued the following statement to the Press:

No other Party contesting the Elections has to face as many handicaps as the Communist Party. The Government refused to allow Ananta Singh, the legendary figure of the Chittagong Armoury Raid to stand as our candidate for the Elections. The Nationalist Press in Bengal is also blacking out all news of our Party candidates. For the Provincial Elections, our Party is putting up Ranalal, the Gurkha Robinhood from the Darjeeling Tea Garden constituency and Kalpana Dutt, the girl Revolutionary of the Chittagong Armoury Raid case from the Chittagong constituency. The announcement of their candidature was sent to the Press but the Nationalist Press completely suppressed the news. Is this fair and democratic?

NOT WITH LEAGUE BUT INDEPENDENT

PESHAWAR, Nov. 22. (A.P.I.): Khan Ghulam Mohd Khan of Lundkhawar ex-President of the Frontier Congress in a press statement has denied a report that he had joined the Muslim League but pointed out that he stood for free Pakistan in free India.

He says: It is my unshakeable belief that so long as there is no rapprochement between the Congress and the Muslim League there can neither be freedom for India nor the establishment of Pakistan. He expressed his intention to contest election to N.W.F.P. assembly as an Independent candidate.

RS. 19,000 FOR LEAGUE ELECTION FUND

PESHAWAR, Nov. 22 (A.P.I.): In response to the appeal of Nawab Siddiq Ali Khan who presided over the Muslim League Conference, last night, a sum of Rs. 19,000 was collected towards the Muslim League Election Fund.

Two prominent local Ahrar workers who were formerly in the Congress appeared on the stage and announced their decision to join the Muslim League.

BETTER CO-OPERATION IN POST-WAR PERIOD.

Planning Body's Report

The Co-operative Planning Committee, which was appointed by the Government of India with Mr. R. G. Saraiya as Chairman, has concluded its work after three sessions in Bombay and one in Delhi. The Committee finalised its report to be submitted to the Government.

The setting up of a co-operative research institution is one of the recommendations of the Co-operative Planning Committee it is learnt.

It is understood that three members of the Committee have signed the final report subject to a minute of dissent. The report which comprises over 250 foolscap pages, covers the entire field of the co-operative movement in India and contains proposals to place the movement on sound lines in the post war period.

The Committee, it is understood, has recommended the starting of provincial co-operative councils as the brain power behind the movement in the Provinces to continually think out plans of development. Measures for increasing agricultural production on co-operative lines, co-operating farming, getting more milk and dairy products and building up co-operative marketing have also been recommended.

Among other subjects on which the Committee has reached agreed conclusions are industrial co-operation, the promotion of cottage industries on co-operative lines, co-operative housing societies, co-operative insurance, etc.

SARASWAT VIDYARTHI SAHAYAK MANDALI

The 42nd annual general meeting of the Saraswat Vidyarthi Sahayak Mandali was held at the premises of the Chikitsaka Samuha, on Sunday (18th November) with Prof. M. M. Koppikar in the chair. After the meeting unanimously adopted the report and accounts for the year ended 31st May 1945, the President announced the result of the election of the Managing Committee for the next year. The resolution about the enlistment of Mr. Y. H. Sukthankar as an Honorary Member of the Mandali was moved by the chair in recognition of his unique and meritorious services to the institution for a period of 33 years including 25 years of honorary secretaryship and was unanimously adopted, after the President, and several other speakers had paid tributes to his services in the cause of the Mandali. The names of new permanent members, including two Fellows and twenty-five Life Members and donations were announced.

CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE CLOSED

BOMBAY, Nov. 23.

The Bombay Stock Exchange did not do any business to-day.

The share Bazar will remain open for business from 12 noon to 1 p m on Saturday.

BULLION MARKET CLOSED.

BOMBAY, Nov. 23.

The Bombay Bullion Exchange remained closed to-day.

COTTON MARKET CLOSED.

BOMBAY, Nov. 23.

The local cotton market was entirely closed to-day as a mark of respect to the memory of late Sheth Valjee Ladh of Messrs. Valjee Ladha & Co.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

BOMBAY, Nov. 23.

I C C January Highest 426-1/2 Lowest 417-1/2 Closing at 5-30 p m 426
I C C March Highest 431 Lowest 424 Closing at 5-30 p m 430-1/4
I C C May Highest 439-1/2 Lowest 434 Closing at 5-30 p m 439
Karachi 4F Jan. Highest 44/9/9 Lowest 43/14/3 Closing at 5-30 p m 44/9/3

COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton January Contract is 766 cent points below New York January at Exchange rate 331.

PRIVATE TRADING

The Bombay Cotton market was officially closed on Friday but privately business was done freely. January opened at Rs. 427 and declined to Rs. 422/8 and advanced to Rs. 431/8 on active speculative buying and short covering and steadied at Rs. 429 at 5 p.m.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

Local Board Election

As the number of the candidates validly nominated is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled on the Reserve Bank of India Local Board Western (Bombay) Area, the following persons who were validly nominated, in terms of Regulation 5(1) of the Regulations for Elections and Meetings of Shareholders of the Reserve Bank of India, are deemed to be elected members of the said Local Board:—

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POSITION OF SCHEDULED BANKS

Statement of the position of Scheduled Banks as at the close of business on the 16th November:—

Demand Liabilities in India Rs. 669,43,39,000; Time Liabilities in India Rs. 267,88,82,000; Cash in India: (i) Currency Notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes Rs 31,72,46,000; (ii) Rupee Coin Rs. 2,47,87,000; (iii) Subsidiary Coin Rs. 73,20,000; Balances with Reserve Bank Rs. 23,55,71,000; Advances in India Rs. 256,96,53,000; Bills discounted in India Rs. 16,23,94,000.

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London, Nov. 22.

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London, Nov. 22.

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Victory Bonds 4 p c	113.1/4
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National Bank of India	43-3/4

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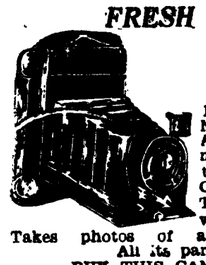

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Wanted a Smart Shorthand Typist Girl. Apply personally Tarachand Sons, 1st floor, Round Bldg., Kalbadevi. 96

Wanted an experienced, Graduate typist to work in an American firm. Must have a minimum speed of 60 words per minute, sound knowledge of English and a good personality. Apply Box No. 5644, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted a Teacher for Gujarati for a Local Girls' High School. Apply stating terms and qualifications to Box No. 78, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted by an Agricultural Farm, an Irrigation Engineer to develop a low land. The candidate should possess theoretical knowledge as well as practical experience. A man of active habits preferred. Apply stating terms to Box No. 5637, "Bombay Chronicle."

Required Medical Assistant at once. State qualification, experience, age and religion. Superintendent, Mission Hospital Tilda C.P. (B.N.Rly.). (5622)

Wanted by a large Manufacturing Concern, Registered Accountants prepared to serve outside Bombay. Young men with experience need apply stating salary required to Box No. 5627, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted by a well established Indian concern, a Typist with good speed and accuracy and a comptist with knowledge of accounts. Apply stating previous experience to Box No. 5631, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted 2 B.Sc. Teachers, Physics and Chemistry or Maths. (B.T. or D. Phy. Ed.). Any community permanent posts, decent salaries, D. A. & P. F. benefits. Apply personally, Principal Banaji, Master's Tutorial Boys' H. School, Kennedy Bridge, Gowalia Tank, Bombay. 76

Wanted immediately a really capable man with firstclass experience of wholesale buying and selling in local metal market on a good starting salary. Persons with ability and practical experience need alone apply with full details, to Box No. 61, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted immediately by a well established and organised firm of large-scale Bidi Manufacturers in C. P., an experienced and efficient Salesman|Travelling Canvasser with headquarters at Nagpur. None but live-wires who can put up hard-work need apply. Preference will be given to candidates already in the line. Salary Rs. 100|- p. m. or according to experience and qualifications. Apply sharp with full particulars to:— C. P. General Agency, Sitabuldi, Nagpur. C.P. (5615)

Wanted Immediately a Graduate in Marathi and English for Model High School Ujjain (C.I.) on Rs. 60 p.m. plus dearness allowance of Rs. 10. The post is permanent. Apply to the Head Master stating qualifications, subjects, age and experience 5620

Wanted a Matriculated Lady or Gent Teacher of any caste for English Teaching School at Sahar Post Kurla. Apply to the Manager. 66

Wanted—Matriculates to learn Monotype and Linotype operating. Remuneration will be paid whilst learning. Typists knowing English and Gujrati typing will be preferred. Apply Box No. 136 "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted influential and well connected persons to act as Manager for a Bank in Bombay, good salary with future prospects, please apply to Box No 10,000, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted immediately by a well-established old Life Insurance Co., influential and well connected persons capable of creating good organisation for the post of Branch Manager on handsome salary at Bombay. Please apply to Mr. L. P. Acharya, Managing Director, The Sunshine Insurance Ltd., Kumud Villa, 321, Vithalbhai Patel Road, Bombay, 4. (1)

Wanted Gujarati knowing Graduate or Undergraduate Teachers of either sex. Apply personally to Principal, Matunga Premier School, Matunga G.I.P. 54

SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted an experienced and competent Salesman, well conversant with textile millstores line for Calcutta Office. Apply with relevent testimonials and qualifications stating minimum salary expected to Box No. 9995 "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted Registrar for the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research in the grade Rs. 500—30—800. Administrative experience essential. High academic qualifications, preferably in Science. Applications addressed c|o Sir Dorabji Tata Trust, Bombay, should reach by 3rd December, 1945. (5570)

Wanted social Lady workers. Any caste. Write Miss Jayashree, 773, Sadashiv, Poona. 12A

Wanted a Nursing Sister, preferably a Hindu for delivery case, for one month. Lodging and Boarding will be provided. Apply Box No. 890, Bombay No. 1. Give references and terms. 35

Wanted (1) A Steno Typist, (2) Ladies and Gents as Advertising Canvassers. Persons influential with Banks, films, mills, manufacturers, etc. only need personally apply 12 A.M. to 6 P.M. The Jupiter Advertising Agency, Shiwlall Motilal Mansions, opp. Bombay Central Station. (32)

SITUATIONS WANTED

Well experienced Bookseller, having thorough knowledge of Foreign Literature and sty. desires position. Hardworker, has managed independently. Apply Box No. 75, "Bombay Chronicle."

ACCOMMODATIONS WANTED

Wanted (1) Showroom premises. Central locality. Queens Road, Fort, preferred, (2) Residential accommodation, 5 rooms or more. Good locality. Good remuneration. Reply Box No. 42, "Bombay Chronicle."

SHOPS WANTED

Wanted a big Vacant Shop of a big limited store in good locality. Please write with particulars of Rent and locality to Box No. 95, "Bombay Chronicle."

HOTELS (IN HILL STATION)

Deolali Grand Hotel Good Rooms Available with Baths. Terms Moderate. Apply Manager. (9954)

EDUCATIONAL ADLETS

Homoeopathy: Best correspondence course in India. Easily learned. Easily practised. Scholarships to deserving. For further particulrs see Grace Medical Mission Advertisement in this issue on Page 2.

Learn Dentistry within short period. Apply Prospectus Dental Training Institute, Garediakuva, Rajkot. (5347)

Get Medical Diplomas at Home: Ayurvedic, Homoeopathic, Unani. Prospectus Free. Old Indian Medical College, Kotgarh, Simla. (9971)

Matrics! Become Graduates (Punjab University) by 15 months' home study. Apply Dewan's, Lahore. 69

Admissions—Davar's College of Commerce—Famous for successful education in Specialised Courses of Company Secretaries, Accountants, Bank Officers, and General Commerce. Call or write for Prospectus, 51, Esplanade Road. 77

BOOKS & MAGAZINES

Earn Rs. Six daily. Buy Easy Cotton Calculation at Rs. 4. Fulgaliwalla, Ahmed Bldg., Golpitha, Bombay. 65

MEDICAL ADLETS

"Good-Bye" Cockroach Tablets. sold at Asiatic, Yazdani, Popular, Hardinge, Grand and all leading chemists. Price Annas two per packet. 62

FINANCIAL

Brilliant young Business Organiser invites financing Partner to further expand a sound, very paying running business. Moderate capital. For details, communicate to Box No. 82, "Bombay Chronicle."

BUSINESSES FOR SALE

Leather Novelties manufacturing factory in decent Fort area, complete with requisite machinery, implements, fixtures, furniture and stock-in-trade in perfect working order. A lucrative business for really interested parties. Apply Box No. 81, "Bombay Chronicle."

BUSINESS OFFERS

L. Rosenthal & Co., Export Agents, offer their services as Buying Agents to Overseas Buyers on a Commission basis. We specialise in various types of goods, including Bicycles, crockery, cutlery, stationery, toys, toilet requisites, cosmetics, cigarette lighters, zip fasteners, optical goods etc., Highest References available. Head Office, 623/5/7, Holloway Road, London, N. 19, England. 5533

AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Agents from all important Centres of India to secure orders for Buying and Selling of Government Papers and Marketable Shares quoted in Calcutta Stock Exchange. For terms please write to Joint Stock Investors, 7, Swallow Lane, (2nd Floor), Calcutta. (43)

Wanted Purchasers of our Tower Brand Bar Soap, cubes. Cash, write to the Baku Soap Works, Matunga, Bombay 19. (9149)

AGENCIES WANTED

Wanted Agencies for all over India for all kind of Business. Write to Vishwabhartiy, Malegaon Dist., Nasik. (88)

PROPERTY FOR SALE

For sale. A two-storeyed building at Dadar near beach. Vacant possession of top flat containing phone, modern bath and kitchen. Phone 40867, Jagasia. No brokers. (5623)

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE BOMBAY & SUBURBAN HOTEL KEEPERS' ASSOCIATION

MEMBERS of the ASSOCIATION are requested to pay up their Association fees, for the current year, on or before 31st December, 1945, failing their names will be removed from the Register of the Association.

M. H. VYAS,
Hon. Secretary,
The Bombay & Suburban Hotel Keepers' Association,
Appa Building, Null Bazar, Bombay 3.
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NOTICE.

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the purchases of Cotton Wastes (Soft and Hard) from the India United Mills, Ltd., No. 1 Mill and No. 5 Mill, and will be received up to 4 p. m. on Thursday the 29th instant at registered office, E. D. Sassoon Building, Dougall Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay. The copies of the tenders can be obtained from the Cotton Department. (5616)

THE KESAR SUGAR WORKS, LTD.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWELFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of The Kesar Sugar Works Limited, will be held on MONDAY, the 17th day of December, 1945, at 3 p.m. (S.T.) at the Registered Office of the Company, 45-47, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay to transact the following business:—

1. To adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st July 1945.
2. To sanction the payment of Dividend to Preference Shareholders.
3. To elect Directors in place of Mr. Dharamsey Mulraj Khatau and Sir Kikabhai Premchand Kt., who retire by rotation, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.
4. To appoint Auditors for the current year and fix their remuneration.
5. To transact any other business that may be brought forward by the Chairman.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd day of December, 1945 to 20th December, 1945 (both days inclusive).

By order of the Board of Directors,
KILACHAND DEVCHAND & CO.,
Managing Agents.
Bombay, 21st November, 1945.

N.B.:—Preference Share Dividend when declared will be made payable at the Registered Office of the Company on and after the 14th day of January, 1945. Preference Share Dividend Warrants will be posted to those Shareholders whose names stand on the Register on the 3rd day of December, 1945.

SHAREHOLDERS ARE REQUESTED TO KINDLY NOTIFY ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

(5624)

POSTS & TELEGRAPHS DEPARTMENT.

A FEW TEMPORARY VACANCIES of Clerks exist in Bombay Telephone Workshops. Matriculation or equivalent qualification essential. Age between 18 and 25, preferably below 23. Scheduled Caste allowed up to 28. Apply to Manager, Bombay Telephone Workshops, Gell Street, Bombay, 11 in own handwriting with copy of Matriculation certificate, domicile certificate, certificates of character from Head Master or Principal and two other respectable persons. Last date 7th December, 1945.

H. L. NORFOLK,
Manager,
Bombay Telephones Workshops.
(5633)

HOTEL FOR SALE

"Punjab Hindu Hotel" situated at Shivaji Chawk, Kalyan (Bombay) which is running condition giving profit of about Rs. 1,000 p.m. is to be sold with all its assets, Electric pump, etc. For particulars please see the Proprietor. Mr. J. S. Sarna, at the above address immediately. (34)

MACHINERIES FOR SALE

For Sale one 18" Hydro Extractor, complete with clutch and brake Scientifically designed. Most suitable for chemical and Laundry purposes. Apply Western Manufacturing Co., Hassan Chambers. Parsee Bazar St., Fort, Bombay 50C

For immediate sale two C.I. rolling mill frames for 14" rolls suitable for rolling m.s. sheets. Further particulars from Garlick & Co., Jacob Circle, Bombay. (5582)

MACHINERY WANTED

Wanted for immediate delivery. Small Air Compressor, two or three inch cylinder to work at sixty pounds pressure. Offers with details and price to Box No. 5630. "Bombay Chronicle."

MISCELLANEOUS ADLETS

Wanted monthly 200 boxes La Corona. Club King Brand. Apply with rates to Box No. 80, "Bombay Chronicle."

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Quality Furniture in modern style at moderate rates, Gujarat Furniture Works, Chowpatty Sea Face and Girgaum, Phone 24067. 9981

PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES (DISPOSALS),
Strand House, Ballard Estate, Bombay.
Dated the, November, 1945.

TENDER NOTICE

TENDERS ARE INVITED for purchase and removal of the following materials lying at Army Medical Stores, Cadell Road; Mahim, Bombay.

ITEM NO.	NOMENCLATURE.	QNTY.	CONDITION.
1.	Silver wire 0.02 in dia (25 SWG) 1½ dz. reel	1500 Nos.	Serviceable
2.	Silver wire 0.056 in dia (17 SWG) ½ dz. reel	4000 Nos.	—do—

The materials will be sold without any guarantee as to their condition or quantity and subject to conditions of Contract Con. 117 (copy obtainable from Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery, Queen's Road, Bombay).

Samples of the materials can be inspected in this office or they can be viewed at site by previous appointment with stockholder.

Offers in tenderer's own form in a sealed cover superscribed Tender No. CS/MPD/3802 dated 30th November, '45 should reach this office not later than 4 p.m. on 30th November, 1945. Tenders should be accompanied by a deposit at call receipt for Rs. deposited as earnest money in Imperial or Reserve Bank of India or a Government Treasury in favour of the Controller of Supplies (Disposals) Bombay under Head of Account "Revenue Deposits". The Deposit is refundable to unsuccessful tenderers.

Offers should remain open for acceptance upto 22nd December, '45. Delivery should be completed ex-site within Fifteen days of receipt of acceptance of offer. No assistance will be offered in obtaining transport facilities, railway wagons, etc.

Tenderers will be at liberty to quote for the entire quantity or s portion thereof. Rates should be quoted per 100 Nos. and separately for each item.

This office is at liberty to reject all or any portion of offers received. 5639

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, BENGAL.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from Muslim candidates to fill a temporary post of Executive Engineer, Mechanical Division under the Chief Engineer, Public Health, Bengal. Pay—500-1000 plus usual dearness allowance. Age—must not be over 42 years on 1st December 1945. Qualifications—must be a corporate member of the Institution of the Mechanical Engineers (London) or the Institution of Engineers (India). Mechanical Section or he must be a holder of a degree or diploma in Mechanical Engineering of a recognised university. A candidate qualified as above must have in addition served ten years with a well-known firm of Mechanical or Electrical Engineering or a reputed Engineering firm engaged in the manufacture of pumping plants or electrical machinery and have sufficient experience in running and maintaining water works machineries, sewage pumping plants, etc. Full details and application forms may be obtained from the Secretary, Public Service Commission, Bengal, personally or ON SENDING AN ADDRESSED ENVELOPE WITH A NINE PIES STAMP affixed. They will not be supplied on receipt of mere stamps. Letters must not be addressed to the Secretary by name. Last date for receipt of applications on prescribed form, together with a treasury receipt for Rs. 5, 13th December 1945. (5635)

THE FRANSUKHLAL MAFATLAL HINDU SWIMMING BATH & BOAT CLUB

3RD ANNUAL SWIMMING GALA & AQUATIC SPORTS

An attractive programme on SATURDAY, the 24th November, 1945, at 6 p.m. under presidentship of Smt. LILAVATI K. MUNSHI.

INTERESTING ITEMS

(1) Mr. Ashu Dutt, All-India Swimming Champion, will give diving display.
(2) College Square Club Water Polo Team will play against our P. M. H. S. Team—the Bombay Champions.

Tickets at the gate. 5638

G. I. P. RLY.

LEVEL CROSSING No. 5 at Mile 5|34, between stations Kolwada and Wadala on the Harbour Branch Rly. will be CLOSED to road traffic from 9 p. m. on Monday, the 26th instant to 6 a. m. on Tuesday, the 27th instant for relaying tracks. (5625)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the posts of clerks in the scale of pay of Rs. 25-5/2-55 PLUS dearness allowance as may be sanctioned by Government from time to time. Those appointed in the scale of Rs. 25-5/2-55 at Poona will get Rs. 15/- as personal pay up to 31st December 1945. Applications which should contain particulars regarding qualifications, name in full, place and date of birth, caste and sub-caste, languages known, knowledge of typing and shorthand together with certificates of good character should reach the Director of Public Health for the Government of Bombay, Poona, not later than 3rd December 1945.

Candidates already in Government service should apply through the proper channel. 5634

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that Messrs. Purshottamdas Madhavani & Co., of Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, have been working as our Bank's Shipping, Clearing, Forwarding and Warehousing Agents for a number of years. We are pleased to put on record that they have given us complete satisfaction. We are glad to make a particular mention of their prompt, quick and efficient service and keen desire to attend to all the requirements of their Clients.

They have also been storing and warehousing our and our Client's goods in their godowns and we have found this service to be extremely efficient and the rates also are quite reasonable.

(Sd.) N. BHATTACHARJE,
Agent,
The Comilla Banking Corpn., Ltd., Bombay. 85

LEGAL NOTICES

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY
INSOLVENCY NO 116 OF 1945
Re: TYEB JANMAHOMED, recently carrying on business as Jewellers in partnership with (1) Salehmahomed Janmahomed, (2) Abubakar Janmahomed and (3) Ismail Salehmahomed under the name and style of Messrs. Salehmahomed Janmahomed at Jhaveri Bazar near Mumbadevi, Bombay ..... A Debtor
Ex parte: NAGINCHAND KAPURCHAND & CO. .....
..... Petitioning Creditors

On the 20th day of November, 1945, an order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtor an Insolvent.

Dated this 22nd day of November 1945.

SAROSH H. A. VAKIL,
Insolvency Registrar. 5636

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the partnership lately subsisting between us, the undersigned (1) NAVIN HIRALAL MAPARA, (2) KANTILAL NATHUBHAI PAREKH, (3) KALYANJI KAHANJIBHAI PATEL and (4) JAYVANT JIWANLAL DESAI, carrying on business as Engineers and Contractors and Manufacturers of Simpson Products Gas Plants and manufacturers of petrol drums at Ghodbunder Road, Santa Cruz, and also at Sandhurst Road, Bombay, under the style or firm of Messrs. MAPARA PAREKH & CO., has been DISSOLVED by mutual consent so far as regards the said KALYANJI KAHANJIBHAI PATEL and JAYVANT JIWANLAL DESAI, who retired from the firm from the 1st day of November, 1945.

All debts due to or owing by the said late firm will be received and paid by the said NAVIN HIRALAL MAPARA and KANTILAL NATHUBHAI PAREKH, who have continued the said business from the 1st November, 1945 on their own account under the present style or firm of Messrs. MAPARA PAREKH & CO.

Dated at Bombay this 22nd day of November, 1945.

N. H. MAPARA.
KANTI PAREKH.
K. K. PATEL.
J. J. DESAI. 5632

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
TESTAMENTARY & INTESTATE JURISDICTION
Petition No 532 of 1945
CITATION

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of DHARAMDAS DEOCHAND alias DHARAMDAS DEVCHAND, late of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, who at the time of his death resided at 40-42, Mint Road, within the Fort of Bombay and carried on business in Radio and Radio parts and accessories under the name, style and firm of Messrs. Laxmidas & Dwarkadas at Laxmi Bhuwan, Sandhurst Road, without the Fort of Bombay .....
..... Deceased

(1) TRIBHOVANDAS LAXMIDAS, (2) CHHOTALAL LAXMIDAS, (3) Bai VAJKORBAI, widow of Dwarkadas Devchand and (4) JAGMOHANDAS PREMJI, all of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants, Nos. 1 and 4 residing at 21, Mint Road, No. 2 at Shami Shivji's House, Old Modi Khana and No. 3 at 40-42, Mint Road, within the Fort of Bombay .....
..... Petitioners

ALL persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Letters of Administration

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

(Sd.) A. H. KIRTIKAR,
Prothonotary and Senior Master.

The 15th day of November, 1945.
(Sd.) Messrs. HASAN BAXI & CO.,
Petitioners' Attorneys 5643

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

AN ORDINARY MONTHLY MEETING of the Corporation will be held in the Municipal Office on Monday, the 3rd December 1945, at 3 p. m. (Bombay Time), for the consideration of the following business:—

1. Interpellations.
2-3. Applications for gratuity from or on behalf of ex-Municipal employees.
4. Letter from the Honorary Secretary, B. I. T. Blocks Tenants' Association (Ibrahim Rahimtulla Road)—Regarding the grant-in-aid of the Association for the year 1944-45.
5-6. Letters from the authorities of the (5) Shree Samarth Vyayam Mandir, Dadar, and (6) Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute—Thanking the Corporation for giving grants-in-aid of their respective institutions for the year 1944-45.
7. Letter from the Honorary Secretary, Bombay Institution for Deaf and Mutes—Forwarding the annual report of the institution for the year 1944-45.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE—

8. Regarding the writing off of the book value of certain articles of stores by debit to Stock Adjustment Account.
9. Regarding the Municipal Chief Auditor's report on the examination of the ledgers, etc., of the Assessment and Collection Department.
10. Regarding the increase in the Conveyance allowance paid to the Welfare Organiser.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEES—

11. Regarding the curtailment of water supply to the City during 1945-46.
12. Regarding letters received from certain parties in connection with the Greater Bombay Scheme.
13. Regarding the fixing of a fee for putting up Barriers and Shelters at Bus Stops in the City.
14. Regarding amendments to the Municipal Act for revising the system of assessment and collection of Municipal Taxes.
15. Regarding Government contribution towards the establishment of a Chair in Civics and Politics at the University of Bombay in commemoration of the Birthday Centenary of the late Sir Pherozeshah Mehta.
16. Regarding Draft Amendments of the Municipal Act relating to Building Regulations, etc.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSIONER—

17. Regarding the election of Mr. C. B. Cockaine as a Councillor.
18. Regarding the transfer of certain securities held by the Reserve Bank of India on account of the Jairajbhoy Peerbhoy School Endowment, to the Municipal Corporation.
19. Letter from Mrs. Parvatibai M. Dabholkar—Thanking the Corporation for their Resolution on the death of her husband Mr. M. A. Dabholkar.
20. Letter from Mr. R. N. Katrak—Thanking the Corporation for their Resolution on the death of his father Dr. N. N. Katrak.
21. Letter from Mr. P. K. Savant, on behalf of Mr. Yusuf J. Meherally—Applying for leave of absence from the Meetings of the Corporation.
22. Confirmation of the Special Committees' Proceedings.
23. Schools Committee's letter —Forwarding printed copies of the Committee's Proceedings.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS—

24. From Mr. K. H. Goregaoker —For requesting the Commissioner of Police to arrange for traffic regulation at the junction of Lamington Road and Grant Road.
25-26. From Mr. P. K. Savant —For (25) naming a prominent thoroughfare in the City after the late Sjt. Subhas Chandra Bose and (26) obtaining a report from the Commissioner for naming or renaming important roads in different localities of the City after (a) Col. Jagannathrao Bhonsale, (b) Capt. Shah Navaz, (c) Capt. Premkumar Sehgal, (d) Lt. Gurubux Singh Dhillon and (e) Lt. Col. Laxmi Swaminathan.
27. From Dr. Homi F. Pavri— For obtaining a report from the Commissioner regarding the extinguishing of street lights in different parts of the City before midnight, etc.
28-29. From Mr. Khimji M. Bhujpuria—For (28) providing public conveniences at certain places in A and G Wards; and (29) amending the Building Byelaws for requiring house owners to provide approach steps to shops, etc., within private land, etc.
30. From Mr. B. J. Deorukhkar —For representing to Government not to de-requisition the premises requisitioned by them for housing A.R.P., etc., personnel before alternative housing accommodation is provided for the persons concerned, etc.
31-32. From Mr. P. M. Chinai— For representing to the Government to release (31) the control requiring the taking out of a permit for the sale and purchase of secondhand motor vehicles; and (32) release playgrounds and recreation grounds requisitioned for defence, etc., purposes.

By Order of His Worship the Mayor,
B. V. MODY,
Municipal Secretary.
Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 23rd November, 1945.
(5640)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai ALOO JAL CURSETJI OONWALLA, of Bandra, Parsi Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. All persons having any claim of any sort against the said property are requested to notify the same in writing to the undersigned within 14 days from the date hereof. In default the claim, if any, will be deemed to have been waived and sale completed.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL those pieces of parcels of land or ground together with the messuages, Tenements and building standing thereon known as "SUNNY SIDE", situate at 3, PERRY CROSS ROAD, BANDRA (in the Village of DANDA) in the South Salsette Taluka in the Bombay Suburban District and in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra being plot No. 3 of Suburban Scheme No. VI, Danda admeasuring 1,235 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Survey No. 333, Pot No. 4, admeasuring 363 square yards or thereabouts aggregating to 1,598 square yards or thereabouts and assesses by the Municipality of Bandra under the premises No. 3 of Perry Road, Bandra (Danda scheme).

Dated this 23rd day of November, 1945.

Lentin Chambers,
Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay.
AMBUBHAI & DIWANJI,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 5642

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. GOVINDRAM BROS. LTD., as the Mortgagees of the below-mentioned properties belonging to Naoser R. Dastoor, and in pursuance of the power of sale reserved to them in the Indentures of the First Legal Mortgage and Further Charge respectively, dated 16-9-1943 and 18-12-1943 have contracted to sell the said properties to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said properties by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise, howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 35, Dalal Street, Examiner Press Building, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTIES:

FIRSTLY:—Foras Freehold land at Dadar Cross Road, admeasuring about 871 sq. yds., bearing New Survey No. 1D/1001, G Ward No. 522 (5B), Street No. 155 DDD, Cadastral Survey No. 78 of Dadar Naigaum Division.

SECONDLY:—All those pieces of Agricultural lands at Karjat admeasuring about 181 Acres and 15½ Gunthas, bearing Survey Nos. 1 to 6, 7, 8 to 13, 14A, 15-15-15-17-27-42-47-50 and 52 to 58. Total Assessment Rs. 214-4-6.

THIRDLY:—All those pieces of Agricultural lands at Karjat, admeasuring about 400 Acres and 24 Gunthas bearing Survey Nos. 1 to 8, 10 to 16, 18 to 21 and 23, 23, 25, 26, 28, 30 to 39, 41 to 44, 49 to 53, 54A to 55 to 66, 68, 69. Total Assessment Rs. 529-12-9.

FOURTHLY:—All those pieces of Agricultural lands at Karjat, admeasuring about 55 Acres and 29 Gunthas, bearing Survey Nos. 2-3-13-15-15-17-18-18-18-20-24-31-32-32-35-37. 40-44A-46-47-48-50A, 50A, 52, 52, 54, 57, 54, 60, 62, 65A, 67 to 71 and 74. Total Assessment Rs. 86-2-9.

FIFTHLY:—All those pieces of Agricultural lands at Karjat, admeasuring about 56 Acres and 37½ Gunthas bearing Survey Nos. 3, 4, 7, 12, 14 to 17-20-28-29, 32, 56, 57. Total Assessment Rs. 79-9-0.

SIXTHLY:—All those pieces of Agricultural lands at Karjat, admeasuring about 2 Acres and 4 Gunthas bearing Survey No. 32, Hissa No. 6. Total Assessment Rs. 0-5-9.

Dated this 22nd day of November, 1945.

HARIDAS & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 5626

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